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Wife Slain bv Hyde Park Doctor During Christmas Festivities

Mrs. Anna Amesbury, Who Was Shot and Killed Yesterday by Dr. Walter Raleigh Amesbury Of Hyde Park. She Had Left Her Husband and Was Supporting Herself and Sons By Teaching at Roanoke College, In Virginia.

Alarmed by The Report of The Revolver And Their Mother's Cries His Two Sons Hurled Themselves on The Physician, Struggling Desperately, They Bore Him to the Floor and Disarmed Him.

Dr. Amesbury in Court Pleads 'Not Guilty'

WIFE-SLAYER ARRAIGNED

Hyde Park Physician Who Shot Down Roanoke College Teacher Sighs Continually.

Dr. Walter Raleigh Amesbury of Hyde Park pleaded not guilty when he was charged with the murder of his wife, Anna, a teacher in Roanoke College, in the Police Court at Dedham to-day. On the request of Attorney Wing the case was continued until January 2, and Dr. Amesbury was committed to the Dedham Jail without bail by Justice Frederick J. Hutchinson.

Although the courtroom was crowded no relatives or friends of the physician appeared. Dr. Amesbury was pale and at times nervous. When he rose to listen to the reading of the charge his fingers drummed continually on the railing of the dock. During the proceedings he sighed audibly more than once.

The man accused of killing his wife because she refused to return to his home spent the night in the Hyde Park police station. He was brought to Dedham at an early hour by Lieutenant Grant of the Hyde Park police, and was accompanied by Mr. Wing.

Killed in Sight of Sons.

Mrs. Amesbury was killed at her mother's home, where she and her two young sons were spending Christmas Day. The mother and the two boys witnessed the tragedy, and were powerless to prevent it. Dr. Amesbury was disarmed by the boys after the first shot was fired.

Remorseful and grief-stricken to-day, the doctor declares that he did not intend to kill his wife, and says that if he had known she was dying he would have slain himself.

Reunited with his family yesterday for the first time for months, Dr. Amesbury had pleaded in vain with his wife to return to him. Failing in his attempt to obtain her consent, he shot her just as she was making ready to place the Christmas dinner upon the table in the Hyde Park flat occupied by her mother, Mrs. Jennie Resse.

Sons Grapple With Father.

The explosion of the pistol and their mother's cries attracted the two sons of the couple, Walter R., Jr., and Ira R., aged respectively twenty and seventeen years, who leaped upon their father and bore him to the floor, wrestling the revolver from his grasp and holding him until the arrival of the police. But the bullet he succeeded in firing had done its work and, although Mrs. Amesbury rushed screaming from the room in which she was shot and down the stairs to the floor below, she fell there and died within a few minutes.

Separated from his fwife since last Summer, Dr. Amesbury has been practising medicine in Milford while Mrs. Amesbury has been teaching music at Roanoke College in Danville, Va. She came to spend the holidays with her mother and sons, and arrived at the Hyde Park flat Christmas eve.

Came to Plead with His Wife.

Dr. Amesbury came to the flat yesterday to make a last desperate attempt to get his wife to live with him, according to his own statements. He had purchased a twenty-two calibre revolver in Milford Tuesday. This he had in his pocket.

The doctor pleaded with his wife to give up teaching and return to her home but, remembering that she had been unable to get along with the doctor in the past, because of his causeless jealousy, she persistently refused to consider any proposition he might make.

Enraged, the doctor is said to have declared:

"Unless you will come back with me, I will get a divorce."

"Go ahead and get one," is said to have been Mrs. Amesbury's response.

Shortly after this the doctor left the house and went uptown, where, it is stated, he obtained a pint of whiskey, of which he drank a part. He had not been in the habit of taking liquor.

Makes Final Demand.

Returning to the house at noon, Dr. Amesbury went to the kitchen, where his wife and her mother were getting the dinner ready.

"Do you mean what you said," demanded the doctor, facing his wife, "that you will not live with me again?"

"Yes," said Mrs. Amesbury, turning toward him. "I do mean it."

"Is this final?" he asked again. Then before she had a chance to reply he pulled a revolver from his pocket and fired. The bullet struck Mrs. Amesbury in the right breast and she ran screaming from the room.

The two boys ran in and by sheer impact knocked their father down, taking the revolver away from him. Once he was secured from doing further harm, Mrs. Amesbury was looked to. She had run down one flight, and had fallen to the floor in the corridor on the second floor. She was dead when her sons reached her.

The shooting was the culmination of family disagreements extending over a greater part of their twenty years of married life. The original trouble is said by people who have known the two to have been caused by the doctor's jealousy of his wife. She had taken a prominent part in church affairs and had earned money by teaching the children of various churches to sing and to dance for entertainments.

Favorite in Duxbury.

Dr. Walter Raleigh Amesbury was the son of a surgeon-general of the English army and was born forty-nine years ago. He entered the British service and was a lieutenant with Roberts in the Afghanistan expedition in 1877. He studied medicine in India, and served in naval stations as a surgeon in India, Egypt, South Africa and Jamaica.

Fifteen years ago he went with his wife to Duxbury and established himself in practice. Mrs. Amesbury became especially popular; she had a fine voice and was a favorite with the musical people of the town. Dr. Amesbury was looked upon as a somewhat jealous man, and was even called eccentric.

Three years ago the family moved to Corsicana, Tex. Dr. Amesbury sold his practice before he went.

A year later they returned, and Dr. Amesbury settled in Kingston. The physician to whom he had sold his practice resented his settling again within reach of his old patients, and obtained an injunction against him, which was made permanent. He then moved to Hyde Park, where he became prominent among the secret societies.

Last August he moved to Milford.

Mrs. Amesbury was 39 years old. She was a Kentuckian. When her husband's jealousy over her attempts to earn money by coaching the church children had culminated in her leaving him, she secured a position in Roanoke College and went South.

BATTLE OF MILLIONS FOR POSSESSION OF TEN-YEAR-OLD BOY

"I'll Get My Son Back at Any Cost," Says State Senator James F. Shaw of Boy Closely Guarded at Grandfather's Home in Portsmouth, N. H.

PORTSMOUTH, N. H., Dec. 26.—Determined to get his ten-year-old boy, Eldredge, who is now in the vigilant guard of the lad's grandfather, H. Fisher Eldredge, the millionaire brewer of this city, Senator James Fullerton Shaw of Manchester, Mass., has told the police of this city what he proposes to do.

"I will get my boy back at any cost," the Portsmouth police say that the angry Senator declared to them.

Two desperate attempts, it is alleged, have been made to kidnap the pretty boy, and now Portsmouth police guard the Eldredge mansion here night and day.

H. Fisher Eldredge, grandfather of the child, has charged Senator Shaw with being responsible for these attempted kidnappings. He told the police so when he asked for guards.

Wife Leaves Husband's Home.

About two weeks ago Mrs. Shaw, who was Nettie Eldredge before she married the millionaire Senator and street railway magnate, left her home in Manchester-by-the-Sea and came here and went to her father's magnificent home at Miller avenue and Merrimac street.

Senator Shaw, who represents the third Essex senatorial, and who is at the head of the Boston & Worcester Street Railway and a half dozen other great enterprises, has been blamed by his father-in-law with being the real author of the desperate attempts which have been made here and at Worcester one week ago to kidnap the boy who accompanied his mother from Manchester here.

While little Eldredge Shaw is so closely guarded in the splendid home of his grandfather he is still given breathing spells, but never unattended. Whenever the child, even when his mother is with him, takes a walk or drive through the city two detectives are constantly with them and in close reach should danger of another attempt to steal the boy away arise.

TO GET BOY AT ANY COST.

Senator Shaw soon discovered his wife's whereabouts.

"I will get my boy back at any cost," the Senator is declared to have told the Portsmouth police.

About one week ago H. Fisher Eldredge, his daugater, Mrs. Shaw, and the boy, the son of the Senator, went to Worcester, where Mr. Eldredge had some important business to atteld to.

They had not been there long until the grandfather and then his daughter noticed that they were being shadowed by mysterious men. They at once kept on the alert.

The millionaire brewer was just able to thwart a desperate attempt to steal away his grandchild by seven men less than a week ago. Calling for a large and fast automobile and catching up his grandchild, the wealthy man with his daughter made a flying run to Springfield.

Home Closely Guarded.

From there they took train to this city and hastened to the palatial Eldredge home, one of the show places in this State. The police were at once notified of the attempt to take the boy and a guard was placed before the mansion.

Detectives were employed by the wealthy brewer to aid the police. The force of guards was augmented when the private detectives for Eldredge discovered that three of the seven men who had shadowed the Eldredges in Worcester and who took part in the attempted kidnapping there were in Portsmouth and closely watching the great mansion in Miller avenue.

Now two policemen stand on guard in front of the Eldredge home all day long and two others take their places at night. They are not dressed in uniform so as to avoid attracting attention.

SHAW SEEN IN PORTSMOUTH.

The Portsmouth police declare that Senator Shaw of Massachusetts has been in this city on more than one occasion during the past week.

H. Fisher Eldredge has positively asserted to the police that he blames his son-in-law, the Senator, for the attempts to kidnap his grandchild. He says that he will frustrate these attempts if he has the power to do so.

It was last Sunday that the three suspiciously acting men were first noticed here. They went to the Hotel Rockingham, where they secured rooms. They refused to register, and have had their meals sent to them in their rooms.

The Eldredge home had been closed all Summer, and until three weeks ago. Then it was opened by the servants and given a thorough overhauling as though it were being prepared for long time occupancy.

In the Summer the Eldredges have lived in a splendid Summer home at Chatham, Mass.

BIG RAILWAY PROMOTER.

What the alleged domestic differences between Senator Shaw and his wife are their friends here and all over New England can merely speculate upon. Nothing is known. Neither will talk nor reveal any of their private affairs. It was not known even that they had separated. Senator Shaw, the father of the boy who is the object of the present sensational contention, is one of the most prominent street railway men in New England. He is the son of E. P. Shaw, former State treasurer, himself a prominent capitalist and street railway magnate.

GRAND JURY RESUMES INQUIRY IN LAND DEAL

F. M. PERKINS, FORMER OWNER OF CODMAN ST. PROPERTY, FIRST WITNESS.

The Grand Jury has resumed consideration of the Codman street land deal. It took up the case when it went into session at 10:25 a. m. to-day. This is the case in which it is claimed that the city was victimized in the purchase of real estate in Dorchester. The city paid double, it is claimed, the price for which the property had been offered on the market, and more than double its assessed valuation.

Mayor John F. Fitzgerald and Superintendent of Streets James H. Doyle have been summonsed as witnesses before the indicting body. They were not at the Court House when the Grand Jury began its deliberations to-day, after its Christmas recess. They are to be notified when to come to the Court House.

But Chairman William Berwin of the Board of Aldermen, who was before the grand jury on Monday as a witness, was present awaiting a call to be questioned further.

Moran Talks with Greenhood.

David Greenhood, another witness, whose evidence is believed to be very important in the case, was in private consultation with the District Attorney in the latter's office for half an hour before the grand jury began to-day's session. When he left the District Attorney's presence he took a seat near the grand jury room awaiting, it is supposed, another call to appear before the indicting body. Other witnesses who were in waiting had little or nothing to say to him. It was stated by a brother of Greenhood at an Independence League rally in East Boston the Sunday before election that David Greenhood's name was on the deed of the Codman street property when it was transferred by sale to the city.

Perkins First Witness.

The first witness called before the Grand Jury to-day was Fred M. Perkins of Melrose, who was the original owner of the Codman street property, and who, it is said, offered it for sale for six cents a foot. After it was bought of him, the city of Boston paid at the rate of twelve cents a foot. It is said that Attorney Edward Kaine of Boston wanted Mr. Perkins to deed the property to "blank," and that the name of David Greenhood was written in after he refused to do so.

Another well-known citizen who was near the Grand Jury precincts to-day is former Alderman Samuel Kelley, who was very prominent in local politics in this city as a Republican ten or fifteen years ago.

The Codman street land deal has already been investigated by the Finance Commission.

GOV. GUILD MAKES PLEA FOR COHEN-DRISCOLL FUND

$2,330.20 RECEIVED IN CONTRIBUTIONS FOR BENEFIT OF FAMILIES.

Governor Curtis Guild, Jr., is taking a deep interest in the fund that is being reaised for the families of the late Edward Cohen, president of the State Branch of the American Federation of Labor, and of Dennis D. Driscoll, secretary of that organization. Up to this morning $2,330.20 had been received by Kidder, Peabody & Co., treasurer of the fund.

In a letter to Hayes Robbins, secretary of the business mne's committee on contributions to the Cohen-Driscoll fund, Governor Guild says:

"My Dear Mr. Robbins:

"I have your pleasant letter. I regarded it as a privilege to relieve the immediate needs of the unfortunate men who were stricken down at the State House. I do not deserve any thanks.

"I am delighted to hear that a fund has been started for the families of the late Edward Cohen and of Dennis D. Driscoll, respectively prisident and secretary of the Massachusetts State Branch, American Federation of Labor.

"Both men have been known to me intimately during my term of office as Governor. Both have steadily used the power intrusted to them to the extent of their ability not merely for the preservation of peace, law and order at exciting crises, but both have been a distinctly conservative force and have aided me more than once in the quiet adjustment of what threatened to be serious labor difficulties, of which the public have known nothing. Both have shown themselves loyal champions of cause in which they were leaders, but both alike were advocates of peaceful and legal methods of advancing the cause for which they stood.

"I sincerely trust that the large families so terribly afflicted by the desperate deed of a maniac may at least be made to feel at this Christmas season the sympathy and helpfulness of the people of Massachusetts.

"Very truly yours,
"CURTIS GUILD, Jr."

Expect Big Additions.

The committee hope that the fund will be increased by several thousand dollars within the next few days.

Although Mr. Driscoll has been taken to his home from the Massachusetts General Hospital and is out of danger, it is uncertain when, if ever, he will be able to resume work at his trade. He will be confined to his bed for at least two months, and then will have to be taken to the country for further recuperation.

Mr. Driscoll has a large family, which depends almost entirely upon him for support. The needs of the large family of the late Mr. Cohen are as great as those of the Driscoll family.

Following are the amounts already in the hands of Kidder, Peabody & Company:

The Fund to Date.

Amount previously advised	$1636.30
Dec. 24, Lamplighters' Union No. 11,943	50.00
Cloth Hat and Cap Makers No. 7	5.00
Carpenters' District Council of Boston and vicinity	50.00
John H. Casey	25.00
Paper Hangers' Union No. 258	10.00
Boston Central Labor Union	250.00
A friend	2.00
S. W. Hopkinson	10.00
T. D. Hasfield	2.00
A friend	10.00
D. R. Emerson & Co.	5.00
Amory A. Lawrence	25.00
Holyoke Typographical Union, 253	2.00
Robert Treat Paine	50.00
Four friends	50.00
Vest Makers' Union, Local 172, U. G. W. of A.	5.00
Local 3 of Boston and vicinity	10.00
Meyer Frank	10.00
Charles E. Lee	10.00
J. L. Richards	100.00
O. A. Archer	3.00
Total	$2330.20

FATAL AUTO SMASHUP.

DAVENPORT, Ia., Dec. 26.—Ralph Loy, recently of Geneva, N. Y., has a fractured skull and will die as the result of an automobile smashup here yesterday. Three other men, all residents of Moline, Ill., were injured in the accident.

LEAPS TO DEATH IN SUBWAY

Women at New York Station in Panic as Millionaire Lawyer Is Killed by Train.

By Boston American Leased Wire.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Ernest G. Stedman, one of New York's most prominent lawyers, rated to be worth in excess of $7,000,000 and a brother of Edmund Clarence Stedman, the poet banker, to-day tragically committed suicide by leaping in front of a local subway train at the Fourteenth street station.

The J. C. Lyon's Building and Operating Company, of which he was vice-president, treasurer and director, failed for several millions of dollars last Friday, when receivers were appointed and financial troubles are believed to have been the principal contributing cause for the suicide.

Mr. Stedman was president of the American Cushion Elbow Company, treasurer and director of the Raritan River Clay Company, a member of the Union and University Clubs and had offices at No. 128 Broadway, where he was a member of the law firm of Stedman & Larkin, and at No. 15 West Thirty-fourth street. His town house was at No. 1018 Madison avenue.

The suicide could not have selected a spot where his death would have created a greater sensation. The uptown platform of the Subway at Fourteenth street was crowded with persons, mostly women, waiting for trains and transferring between local and express trains, when Mr. Stedman, who had been observed walking nervously up and down the platform, suddenly darted through a group of women and leaped to the tracks in front of a fast moving uptown local train.

He was instantly killed.

FATHER-IN-LAW OF SARGEANT TO AID RECEIVER

NORTH ATTLEBORO, Dec. 26.—In the hearing for a permanent injunction restraining the wife of Frederick E. Sargeant, the dead cashier of the Jewelers' National Bank; his brother, F. E. Sargeant of Manchester, N. H., and his father-in-law, Edward E. Morgan of Auburndale, from touching any of the dead man's property, Mr. Morgan declares that he will not oppose the application, but will aid the receiver in every way possible. The temporary injunction is to be argued before the United States Circuit Court, in Providence, to-morrow.

"My attention has been called to the petition that National Bank Examiner Henry F. Currier had presented to the Federal Court at Providence," said Mr. Morgan to-day to a BOSTON AMERICAN reporter. "I wish to state that I will not oppose the issuing of the order by the court and will not be present at the hearing.

"My only wish is to aid the receiver in a speedy settlement of this said affair, and I will do all in my power to assist him.

"So far as I kno wthe only safe deposit vaults in Rhode Island in which Mr. Sarheant had anything is at the Slater Trust Company in Pawtucket, which I had already called to the attention of Mr. Currier, and which I am perfectly willing to have opened in the presence of Mr. Currier or any representative he may name."

$2,000,000 FIRE IN FRISCO

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 26.—Fire to-day destroyed nearly the entire block bounded by Mission, Jessie and First streets. The loss will reach $2,000,000. Several factories and stores were entirely consumed.

Mangrum & Otter, hardware dealers; the Noodin & Littel Implement Company, and the Justmain & Cairo Company, scientific instruments and mine supplies, were the heaviest losers. The buildings were almost all temporary structures in the heart of the district burned to the ground after the earthquake.

They were of frame and highly inflammable. The flames spread with incredible swiftness and at the end of the first hour it was feared they would get beyond the block. But the firemen finally won. The origin of the fire is unknown.

Mrs. A. Mercer Pell, Given Absolute Divorce Decree

By Viola Justin.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Mrs. A. Mercer **Pell**, noted society woman, has been granted a full divorce from her husband, the decree forbidding any intercourse with his little son for two years. Mrs. Pell accuses her husband of repeated attempts to kidnap the boy, and declares that she was forced to go to the courts as a last resort.

Since the granting of the decree Mrs. Pell reports that an anonymous but exceedingly ingenuous enemy is making life miserable for her. The persecution also extends to Mrs. Pell's mother, Mrs. Joseph Ecclesine, and other members of the family.

Suit to Protect Son.

"I was forced to bring suit for the protection of my little son," she said to me. "My husband tried time and again to kidnap the boy, and the courts were the only defence left me. Indeed, I was urged to such action by Mr. Pell's family."

Mrs. Pell, who comes of a famous Knickerbocker family and who was received at the English court, is noted as the first society woman who ever attempted the management of a big hotel, having assumed charge of the Hotel Dysart in London in 1905. In her younger days she had successfully run a big dairy farm.

She received me at her home, No. 1037 Madison avenue. She was convalescent after an illness of several weeks.

"The excitement and worry incident to my suit," she explained, "have quite unnerved me."

Traces of her illness were plain. She was pale and tremulous. She wore a becoming little English lace cap over her mass of light-brown hair, and a dainty pink peignoir.

Her languid indolence, as she half reclined on the big divan, was evidence of her suffering as she told for the first time the story of the attempted kidnapping of her little son, her divorce and the persecutions which followed the extreme measures she was forced to take.

"Only last Summer my husband attempted to kidnap my son when I was at Richfield Spa," she said.

"This last breach of confidence necessitated a clause in the decree which precludes all intercourse between the child and his father. I cannot even trust my husband to speak to the boy; so for the next two years at least Mr. Pell will not see his son.

Sympathy of Husband's Family.

"It may seem a very cruel thing, but in view of the fact that the boy would be under the influence of his father, whose unfortunate weaknesses have cost both his family and myself untold misery, it was decided that I had better take no chances. I tried for such a long time to be patient, but at last even my endurance gave way under his repeated abuse.

"I lived with Mr. Pell's family, whose sympathy was all for me. It was at their instigation that I finally sued for an absolute divorce, not because I wished to marry again or for any selfish reason, save that by a divorce I would be granted full custody of my child. The desire to keep my mother's name from the scandal was partly responsible for the divorce having been so long delayed."

FINDS HER HUSBAND DEAD IN CELLAR

Lying dead at the foot of the cellar stairs with his neck broken, at his home, No. 1 Sweat street, Watertown, David Broderick, sixty-five years old, was found by his wife last evening. Mr. Broderick had gone to the cellar a short time before. As he did not return, his wife went in search of him to find him dead. He had evidently fallen down the stairs.

FIRE HEROES SAVE LIVES IN NEW YORK

Three Persons, However, May Die from Injuries in Tenement House Blaze.

RESCUERS BRAVE FLAMES

By Boston American Leased Wire.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Five persons were hurt, three so seriously they are likely to die, in a fire in the six-story apartment house, No. 19 East One Hundred and Thirty-fourth street, to-day. Two firemen, McKenna and Russell, both of hook and ladder company No. 30, showed the stuff of which heroes are made when they got busy carrying out unconscious persons, neither seeming to care much for flames that encircles them time and again.

The injured are Mrs. Annie Collins, badly burned and unconscious from smoke; Michael Collins, her son; Jeremiah Collins, husband; Emma Distler and Rhinegold Graff.

When Hook and Ladder Company No. 30 arrived the firemen saw no one could enter. "Bill" Hall, the driver, raised an eighty-five foot ladder. Shorter ladders were run up to the windows and fire escapes, which were now crowded with tenants. The long ladder reached the top story, and up this ran McKenna, followed by Russell. McKenna climbed into a window of the Collins apartments. He came upon Mrs. Collins, with her baby clasped in her arms. Both were unconscious. He picked up mother and baby and climbed down the ladder half way. Then he handed his burden over to Russell, and the latter continued to the street. Then back up the long ladder ran the two firemen. They heard a commotion on the fire escape, and, looking down, saw "Jerry" Collins hanging by one foot from the fourth floor wall. He was taken down the ladder.

Then back a third time went the two, their clothes scorching and their hair and eyebrows singed. On the third floor they found Mrs. Mary Kennedy and her four children, unconscious from smoke. First McKenna carried down the mother. Then came Russell with a child under each arm. McKenna, who had run back up the ladder, came back with the other two children.

DEWEY AT 70 YOUNG AS EVER

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—To-day Admiral Dewey is three score and ten. He bears the years alloted to man with ease and appears good for many more.

Being permanently on the active list by special act of Congress, he will serve in his present position as admiral of the navy as long as he lives.

He made no particular fuss over his birthday. He had a little celebration a few days ago, with the President and other dignitaries as his guests. He believes a man ought to work on his birthday, so he was at his office as usual early to-day.

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AUTO SLAYER STILL MISSING

The police of Station 5 are puzzled to-day over a number of clues, leading in different directions, as to the identity of the automobilist responsible for the death of Miss Elizabeth Skinner, the young woman of No. 5 Yarmouth street, who was killed in Columbus avenue by an unknown's machine going at a high rate of speed.

Robert L. Thompson of No. 32 Buckingham street, Miss Skinner's fiance, is in a hospital, seriously injured. The number of the automobile is in possession of the police, but the man in whose name it is registered declares that he sold the car to a garage.

GIFT TO BILLINGS BY OFFICE ATTACHES

The attaches of the Boston immigration station yesterday presented Colonel George B. Billings, chief of the bureau, with a life-size portrait of United States Commissioner-General Frank P. Sargent at a little Christmas gathering. The portrait is a crayon drawing by Inspector J. R. Brekke, was hung in a magnificent gold frame, and now adorns the walls of Colonel Billings's office.

W. L. DOUGLAS'S YACHT SAILS

Protected from stem to stern with canvas, so that nothing shows above decks except the funnels, the Machigonne, former Governor Douglas's yacht, sailed with the tide to-day for Miami, Florida. Mr. Douglas and his family proceed South by train later, and some time next month probably will start upon a cruise to the southern Winter resorts.

The Machigonne is in command of Captain F. A. Sparks, and carries a crew of eleven men. It is expected that she will make the trip to Miami in a week.

200 DIVORCE CASES.

The January term of the Divorce Court, with Judge Fessenden presiding, will convene next Monday, and at that time 200 cases will be presented.

NOT AS PRETTY AS WE USED TO BE.—Cavalieri, the famous beauty, answers the strange assertion of M. Prevost, that our Modern Beauties are not so perfect as the Great Beauties of the last century. See next Sunday's AMERICAN.

16 TIN MILLS RESUME WORK

WHEELING, W. Va., Dec. 26.—Sixteen mills of the Laughlin tin plant of Martin's Ferry resumed work to-day, after an idleness of several weeks. With the order for resumption came an order to repair at once the furnaces of the other seven mills, in order to have them ready for next week, and by that time it is expected the entire plant of twenty-three mills will be in operation.

HEARSE SHATTERED; FUNERAL HELD UP

Because two horses driving a hearse took fright yesterday and plunged suddenly forward, the driver and a man with him on the box, were thrown from their seats and the hearse overturned at the corner of Tremont and Vernon streets, near Roxbury Crossing.

The glass of the hearse was completely shattered, but the coffin was not thrown out. The funeral was held up for an hour.

TO PREVENT THE GRIP.

LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine removes the cause. To get the genuine, call for full name and look for signature of E. W. Grove. 25c.—Advt.

3 GAS DEATHS ON CHRISTMAS

Miss Sophia Sider, aged 22 years, died early to-day at the Boston Relief Hospital after an all night fight against death after she and her sister, Katharine, had been found unconscious from gas fumes at their boarding place, No. 52 Everett street. Katherine Sider, her sister, is now on the dangerous list. She is still in a state of coma, and is not expected to recover.

Three more victims of illuminating gas are dead in Boston to-day, and two other persons are at the Boston Relief Station recovering from the effects of gas inhalation. The fatalities bring Boston's December total of death from gas to six, while the narrow escape of the two now recovering makes a score or more persons who have during the month faced death from gas through carelessness, intent or because of defective gas piping, cocks or radiators.

Yesterday's victims, little Thomas Murphy, aged ten, and his uncle, Thomas Heslop, aged forty, died at No. 135 Staniford street as the result of the carelessness of the man. When the dead bodies were found a gas cock was discovered partially opened in the room. Heslop is blamed for the fatality, as it is believed that during the night in moving about the room he hit the cock, knocking it open.

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Regular Price	ARTICLE	Friday Sale Price.	Quantity
1.50	Ruffled Bobbinet Curtains...	1.15	28 prs
1.50	60-in. Tapestry Couch Covers	1.00	18
30c	Tapestry Squares..........	10c	75
25c	Arabian Door Panels.......	10c	48
25c	Remnants Sheer Fancy Voiles.	12½c	350 yds
15c	Remnants Fleeced Flannelets.	7½c	200 yds
12½c—15c	Remna'ts Gingham & Percales	8c	250 yds
12½c	Remnants Muslin & Lawn...	7½c	200 yds
17c	Remnants Madras Waistings.	10c	300 yds
25c—37½c	Remnants Imported Waistings	12½-15c	240 yds
25c	Remn's Fancy Swiss Muslins	12½c	180 yds
12½c—37½c	Remnants Cotton Linings...	7c-15c	600 yds
25c	Silk Bows and Jabots......	15c	200
50c	Silk Bows and Jabots......	25c	150
75c	Stocks and Jabots.........	39c	100
1.00	Stocks and Jabots.........	50c	100
3.50	Crepe Scarfs..............	2.50	25
2.75	Crepe Scarfs..............	1.95	35
1.50	Venice Coat Sets..........	95c	36
50c	Silk Belts................	35c	72
5c	Handkerchiefs.............	3c	2000
12c—15c	Handkerchiefs.............	8⅓c	1500
17c	Handkerchiefs.............	12c	1000
25c	Handkerchiefs.............	17c	500
5.00	Girls' Cheviot Waist Dresses.	3.95	12
5.00	Girls' Serge Sailor Suits.....	3.95	10
7.50	Girls' Mixture Coats........	3.95	6
7.50	Girls' ¾ length Cheviot Coats	5.00	10
15.00	Girls' Imported Mixture Coat	9.75	6
25.00	Girls' Model Coats..........	18.50	2
5.00	Girls' Gymnasium Suits......	3.50	14
10.00	Misses' Chev't Military Coats.	5.00	4
10.00	Misses' 50-in. Mixture Coats.	5.00	10
18.50	Misses' Serge P. T. Suits....	9.75	5
25.00	Misses' Taffeta Dresses.....	18.50	4
55.00	Misses' B'dcl'h Princess Dress.	35.00	1
25.00	Black Broadcloth Suits......	15.00	5
32.50—35.00	Broadcloth 50-in. Coat Suits.	19.75	12
35.00—39.50	Velvet Suits...............	25.00	9
25.00	White Point de Sprite Dresses.	13.75	2
32.50	Princess B'dcl'h Street Dress.	17.75	7
29.50	Chiffon Taffeta Dresses.....	18.50	4
25.00	Messaline Silk Dancing Dress	19.75	7
8.90	Walking Skirts, Broadcloth..	4.45	6
5.75	English Cheviot Skirts......	3.75	12
15.00	Silk Lined Voile Skirts......	8.50	2
7.50	Panama Walking Skirts.....	5.00	9
5.00	Silk Plaid Shirt Waists......	3.95	8
5.00	Chiffon Taffeta Waists......	3.50	9
5.00—5.50	Silk Lined Lace Waists......	3.95	12
7.50	Silk Messaline Even'g Waists	5.00	9
2.00	Emb. Yoke, Wt. Lawn Waists	1.50	18
2.00—1.50	Tailormade Madras Waists..	1.00	26
3.00	Linen Shirt Waists, large size	2.00	34
5.00—3.95	Soiled Coat Sweaters........	2.75	12
15.00	Caracul Cloth Coats........	9.75	8
7.50	Full Length Tourist Coats...	3.50	9
13.75	35-in. Grey Mixture Coats...	7.50	8
16.50—19.75	Silk Rubber Raincoats......	9.75	10

Regular Price	ARTICLE	Friday Sale Price.	Quantity
3.00—3.50	12-14-B. Mousq. Kid Gloves..	1.75	128
2.00	12-B. Mous. Bl. Suede Gloves.	1.25	57
1.50	2-C. French Glace Kid Gloves	1.00	112
1.50	1-C. Pique Sewn Mocha Glove	1.15	70
5.00—6.00	Trimmed Hats.............	3.00	15
1.50	Trimmed Felt Outing Hats..	50c	75
1.25	Colored Ostrich Feather Tips	50c	150
15c	Remnants All-Silk Ribbon...	10c	150 yds
25.00	Trimmed Hats.............	12.50	6
15.00	Trimmed Hats.............	7.50	15
10.00	Trimmed Hats.............	5.00	50
50c	18k Gold Mount. Neck Combs	23c	40
1.75	Jet Neck Combs...........	1.00	15
35c	Shell Col. Neck Combs......	23c	40
75c—1.00	Gold Baby Signet Rings.....	50c	50
85c—1.00	Oriental Pearl Neck Chains..	75c	25
2.75—3.00	Belt Buckles..............	2.00	25
50c	Picture Medallions..........	25c	40
38c—50c	Stag Handle Knives........	25c	35
50c—75c	Fans, slightly soiled.........	37c	50,
75c—1.00	Bracelets, signets, oval, round	50c	75
75c	Cut Steel Belt Buckles......	50c	50
25c—50c	Veil Pins, 50 designs........	19c	250
	Sterling Silver Sets.........	20-25%	
1.00—1.25	Hand Bags................	79c	50
1.50	Medicine Cases, 6 & 8 bottles	1.00	20
75c	Medicine Cases, 4 bottles....	59c	25
1 50	Music Rolls................	1.00	
50c—75c	Envelope Bags, black only..	39c	
1.00	Imported Leather Purses....	69c	
25c—1.00	Men's Pig Skin Tray Purses.	50c	50
75c	Ladies' Purses, embossed calf	50c	
5.00	Hand Bags, extension bottom	3.50	10
1.50—2.00	Corsets, garters attached....	79c	48
2.50	C. B. a la Spirite Corsets....	1.25	10
2.00	Heatherbloom Petticoats....	1.35	36
3.00	Extra Size Petticoats.......	1.95	24
22.50	Fancy Silk Petticoats.......	15.00	3
5.00	Men's House Coats.........	3.95	4
7.50	Men's House Coats.........	5.00	6
10.95	Challis Negligee............	7.50	3
7.50	Challis Negligee............	5.00	2
5.95	Challis Negligee............	2.95	4
8.95	Fitted Albatross Negligee...	5.00	2
3.50	GermanFlannelLoungingRobe	2.50	12
40.00	Muskrat Lined Coats.......	25.00	3
35.00	Squirrel Lined Coats.......	25.00	9
35.00	American Fox Sets.........	22.00	6
12.50	Natural & Sable Squirrel Sets.	8.75	10
12.50	Persian Paw Sets..........	8.75	6
10.00	Sable Opossum Stoles.......	5.75	3
5.00	Sable Opossum Muffs......	3.50	10
75c	Child'sRed&BlueFeltSlippers.	40c	74 prs
1.00	Child's Buster Brown Leggins.	50c	30 prs
1.00—1.50	Infant's Carriage Boots & Ties	75c	40 prs
2.50	Men's Bench Made Slippers.	1.50	100 prs
1.50	Children's White Sweaters..	79c	12
5.00	Infant's White Coats.......	1.89	4
7.50	Infant's Long Coats........	3.00	5

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FAILS TO FIND STOLEN BABY IN NEW YORK

Mother of Kidnapped Mattapan Boy Coming Back to Seek Him in Boston.

SURE FATHER TOOK HIM

Little Holger Oberg, kidnapped, it is believed, by his father, Carl Oberg, is being sought in Boston to-day after an unsuccessful quest for him in New York by his distracted mother. It is now hoped by the family that the police, whose inaction when notified of the kidnapping last Saturday is blamed for allowing the escape of the child stealers, will be spurred to action.

The child, who is four years old, was taken from the home of his mother's friend, Mr. and Mrs. Wilhelm Grill of No. 78 Wellington Hill street, Mattapan. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Oberg, who have been divorced since last April, and who have been separated for over two years.

Mrs. Oberg, thrown on her own resources, took up the study of osteopathy, and had established a good practice in Moncton, N. B. She had left her little sons in the care of her friends, the Grills, about ten months ago. Having become settled in Moncton, she had made arrangements to come to Boston to spend Christmas with the little boy at her friends' house, after which she was to take him with her to Moncton.

On her arrival at Mattapan Sunday she was crushed by the news that her little son had been kidnapped the day before.

No Help from Police.

After her first outburst of grief, she heard the details of the story. She called at the police station in Mattapan, but was informed that "nothing could be done in the matter." She then went to New York, hoping to trace him there, but has failed, no trace of the child having been found in that city.

According to the story told by Nannie Petterson, the maid in the Grill household, young Holger had been playing about the yard and had just romped into the house for luncheon when there came a ring at the front doorbell. Mrs. Grill was in town and the maid was alone, and as the ringing continued she finally pushed the button, opening the door. A man believed to be Mr. Oberg entered, and rushing up the stairway caught her in his arms. A woman, who was with him, closely followed, and while the man held the maid, the woman according to the girl, caught up young Holger and dressed him with clothing which she found in the house. Frightened and hysterical and fearing to make an outcry, Nannie saw the couple disappear with the crying child, and watched them as they took an Elevated car bound toward Boston.

From the description given her by Mrs. Grill's maid Mrs. Oberg says she is positive her husband was the kidnapper.

Father of Rich Family.

Carl Olof Oscar Oberg, father of the child, is the son of a millionaire file manufacturer of Eskilstuna, Sweden, who died many years ago. His uncle, Arvid Nielson, is now head of the firm and he is many times a millionaire, and known throughout Sweden.

The fight between Oberg and his wife for the possession of the child has been most bitter. A year ago Oberg spirited away his son, but after a three day's search the mother succeeded in locating him and regained him. She was given the custody of the boy by the court which granted her divorce.

NORDICA IN HUB TO SING 'LA GIOCONDA'

Blissfully happy in being back in her beloved Boston and particularly glad that she was able to be here Christmas, Madame Lillian Nordica, the grand opera prima donna, is looking forward with anticipation now to Saturday night, when she will sing to her Boston friends in grand opera.

Mme. Nordica is to sing the title role in Verdi's Italian opera, La Gioconda. Her appearance is awaited with acute interest by Boston music lovers. It was hoped, when the announcement came of Nordica's severance from the Manhattan Opera Company in New York and her contract with the San Carlo Grand Opera Company here, that she would be here early this week. But this arrangement was not possible. Manager Henry Russell of the San Carlo Company finally announces that Nordica will be heard Saturday night, her only appearance here.

Nordica spent Christmas here with her two sisters. She enjoyed Christmas shopping the day before and bought many gifts for relatives and friends.

For Nordica's appearance Saturday night Conti will be conductor, Florencio Constantino, the Spanish tenor, will sing, and the cast will also include Mmes. Claessens and Olitzka and MM. Blanchart, De Segurola, Pulcini and Cildini.

The appearance of Mme. Nordica has necessitated the rearrangement of the repertoire for the balance of the week.

To-night "Il Trovatore" will be given, with Albani, the tenor, in the role of Manrico. The balance of the cast is Mmes. Desana and Olitzka, MM. Albani, Villani, Giaccone and Fornari.

Friday night "Rigoletto" will be given with the "all-star cast," including Nielsen, Constantino and Maurel. Saturday matinee the bill remains as originally planned, with "Faust" as the opera.

WHICH IS THE WORST, TO BE LOVED TOO MUCH? TO BE LOVED TOO LITTLE?—Affectionate Mrs. Kehr petted and kissed Mr. K. till he fled in dismay; cold Mrs. Judd held the loving Mr. J. at arm's length, sternly forbidding any attempts at husbandly affection. See Next Sunday's AMERICAN.

SEND 300 PHOTOS TO FORMER PASTOR

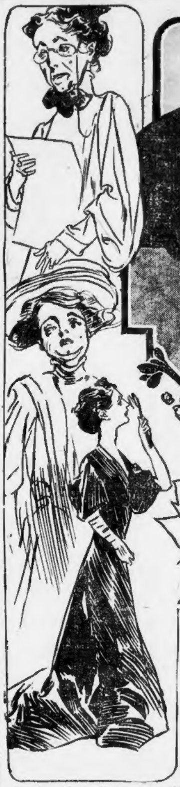
A souvenir album containing the portraits of the parishioners of the First Parish Church, Meeting House Hill, Dorchester, has been sent to Rev. E. R. Shippen, former pastor of the church, in England.

Since his resignation, because of ill health, Dr. Shippen has been living in London. The album contained 300 portraits.

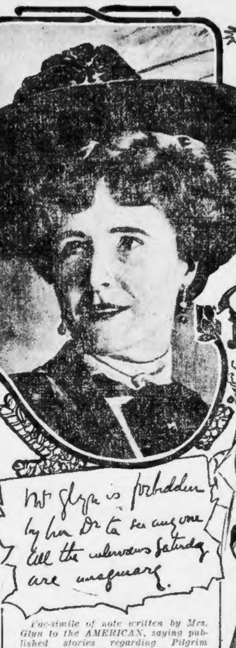
HEAD OF FAILED BANK ARRESTED

DURANGO, Colo., Dec. 26.—Charles E. McConnell, president of the Smelter City Bank, which closed its doors December 17, has been placed under arrest upon a warrant sworn to by a depositor of the bank who had $3,400 on deposit when the insti-

Elinor Glyn, and Cartoonist's Impression of Her Controversy with Pilgrim Mothers

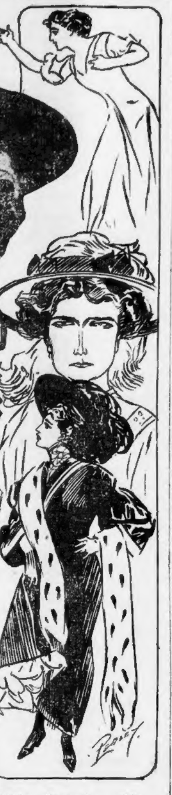


Sketches illustrating types of Pilgrim Mothers described in published interview with Mrs. Glyn, which authoress repudiates.



Mrs Glyn is forbidden by her Dr to see any one All the interviews Saturday are imaginary.

Fac-simile of note written by Mrs. Glyn to the AMERICAN, saying published stories regarding Pilgrim Mothers are entirely imaginary.



Sketches illustrating opinion of Mrs. Glyn, expressed by some of the Pilgrim Mothers who read alleged interview.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Mrs. Elinor Glyn's attributed criticism of the Pilgrim Mothers has caused an unprecedented stir in literary circles and aroused national attention. She is an English authoress visiting this country. She has written and had published a book called "Three Weeks," which has caused a veritable sensation. It deals with a love affair of three weeks' duration. It is a very daring book. It has obtained from critics an attention which would never have been given it because of its literary merit alone, although it is very cleverly written. Its theme is quite objectional to those who are Puritanical, and it is one which few women writers have dared or cared to employ a pen upon.

Mrs. Glyn is herself beautiful of face and figure. She is a most charming person socially, and has mental gifts that are at once superior and not curbed by the conventional.

She was invited to attend the dinner of the Pilgrim Mothers in New York. This society is supposed to have for membership only those with something akin to Mayflower ancestry. The Mayflower was the ship which brought to Plymouth, Mass., in 1620, the Plymouth colonists whose page in history reads at the top by popular consent, "the Pilgrim Fathers."

What Occurred at the Dinner.

What occurred at the dinner in regard to Mrs. Glyn is a question in which the public is much interested and not a little in doubt. It is said that Mrs. Glyn was snubbed there—that she attended it expecting to be the principal light of the evening and the speaker upon whom interest would centre, and that she not only was not asked to be heard, but was spoken to in terms of chiding because she wrote "Three Weeks," or was treated with an iciness as marrow-reaching as the chill December wind which swept Massachusetts Bay on the day when the Pilgrims landed at Plymouth.

Being of Puritan ancestry, the Pilgrim Mothers are supposed to have the most positive aversion for the motive, characters and incidents described by Mrs. Glyn in her "Three Weeks."

But though the incidents of the dinner are not well enough known to dispel doubt as to what really happened, what came as an aftermath has been printed large and bold. The day after the dinner Mrs. Glyn was interviewed by a newspaper reporter as to being "snubbed" by the Pilgrim Mothers. The reporter states that the fair authoress of "Three Weeks" said that the Pilgrim Mothers are "hipless frumps, frights and pancake-footed persons." The reporter wrote of Mrs. Glyn speaking of her hostesses as looking feminine in dresses only, as being most unattractive in person, as being gluttonous at the table and altogether impossible for association with the well-bred.

All New York Startled.

It was an interview which startled. It startled New York and a good portion of the country at large.

The Pilgrim Mothers have not replied. They have not stated whether it was their intent individually or collectively to "snub" the lady who wrote "Three Weeks," or what they thought of her characterization of themselves as "frights," "frumps," and so forth. But Mrs. Glyn denies the interview. She writes to Mrs. Margaret Holmes Bates, who was present at the Pilgrim Mother dinner, stating that she did not know she had been slighted by her hostesses until she read about it in the newspapers and that she did not speak of them as the interviewer said she did.

"I am," writes Mrs. Glyn, "as incapable of committing an action in bad taste and saying these things as I should have been to ask one to my house as a guest of honor and then, finding my other guests did not like her, to allow her to come there without a word of warning on the chance of her being insulted.

"I said to the reporter that the ladies near me at the table were charming; only one person who sat beyond you was an ill-bred person who was extremely rude and had a funny appearance, like a man with a woman's hat on. Not a single word of the description of the ladies as printed originated from me.

"As I have absolutely no sympathy with the 'suffragette' movement, or any woman's rights movement, I felt, as soon as I had arrived and grasped what the idea of the club was, I had got into a mistaken atmosphere. And as I was feeling very ill and had only kept the engagement at great inconvenience to myself, I was glad to slip away.

"The Pilgrim Mothers showed a lamentable taste in not warning me to stay away from their ambushed hostility after their warm invitation to me, twice repeated."

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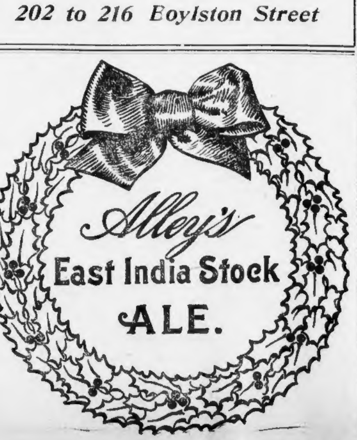

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Smyrna Rugs Wool Smyrna Rugs, size 36x72, $2.50 value, at..... 1.98

Corset Covers One of the prettiest assortments at this price that we have ever shown. Nainsook with yoke of hamburg, others lace insertion and lace to match, ribbon drawn. Regular 39c value.... 29¢

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Ladies' Coats Squirrel lined Coats, 50 inches long, with Australian sable collars. $20 value.. 12.95

"Stransky" Saucepans Best grade of imported enamel ware, blue outside, white inside, 3 qt. sizes. Regular 75c, for this sale .... 40¢

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Flannelette 15c Flannelette, a splendid quality and a good line of patterns. Splendid for kimonos and dressing gowns. Per yard .... 9¢

Petticoat Patterns 29c Flannelette Petticoat Patterns, light and dark colors, a good assortment. Street floor, domestic department. Per yard .... 19¢

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Tooth Brushes A manufacturer's lot of 25c Tooth Brushes, with ventilated backs, for 3 hours, each... 10¢

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Girls' Skates 100 pairs, sizes 10, 10½ and 11, ladies' fine all-strap Skates. Regular price $1.00 each, at 49c

Children's Sweaters In blue with red collar and belt, and red with blue collar and belt, small sizes only. Regular 79c value, to be cleared at .... 39¢

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Squash Extra Fancy Canned Squash. Regular price 15c, for 3 hours at..... 10¢

Kidney Beans Extra Fancy Kidney Beans. Regular price 10c per can, at........ 7¢

Lounging Robes $2.98 Fleece Down Lounging Robes, finished with wide satin border, Oriental designs. Reduced for Friday only to...... 1.59

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Curtain Ends Arabian Lace Curtain Ends, suitable for door or sash curtains. Special at, each..... 49¢

Fur Scarfs A lot of French Coney Shawls and double Scarfs. $4.98 value 3.29

Drug Store QUININE PILLS. Bottle of 100, made by K. & M. Co., the standard U. S. chemists. Drug store price 50c, our price .... 19¢

Iron Couch Beds Single size, steel angle Couch Beds, fitted with National spring, size 2.6 wide, 6 feet long. $3 value, at 1.98

Cretonne 12½c Cretonne, full pieces, good quality and a good range of colors and patterns. Domestic department, street floor. Per yd.. 9¢

Rubber Boots 50 pairs of men's light Rubber Boots, broken sizes, your choice, a pair 1.50

Hospital Shoes Women's Hospital Shoes, extra fine, $1.25 goods, at 98c pair .... 98¢

Eggs Fancy Eastern Eggs. Regular price 45c per dozen, at.... 39¢. Fancy Western, Regular price 35c dozen, at.... 27¢

Market Sundries
Fresh Young Lamb hindquarters, at, lb. .... 12½¢
Fresh Young Lamb forequarters, at, per lb. .... 8¢
Fresh Young Pig Pork, by strip, at, lb. .... 11¢
Choice cuts of Veal to roast, lb., 10¢ to 15¢
Smoked skin back sugar cured Hams, lb. .... 11¢
Fresh killed Fowl, lb. .... 12½¢
Fine young and fresh Vermont Turkeys, lb.. 20¢
Cuts of Round of Beef, to roast or boil, 10¢ to 15¢
Sirloins of Beef to roast, lb. ... 15¢

Cups and Saucers Imported English Cups and Saucers, in gold and white decorations. Value 12½c, at...... 7¢

Sugars & Creams Decorated China Sugar and Cream Sets, a variety of styles. Value 39c a set, at....... 19¢

Tea Pots Imported English jet Tea Pots, rich enamel decoration. Value 44c, for this sale, at...... 29¢

Stair Carpets Hemp Stair Carpet, 18 inches wide. 17c value, for three hours, at.... 10¢

Carpet Rugs Axminster Carpet Rugs, size 27x27. 62c value, at. 39¢

Boys' Overcoats 400 Boys' Russian Overcoats in nobby mixtures and blue and oxford friezes and cheviots, sizes from 3 to 9, $5.00 coats. For three hours 2.98

Boys' Reefers 250 Boys' flannel lined Reefers, in beautiful medium and dark oxford cheviots and fancy mixtures, sizes from 4 to 15. A grand $5.00 Reefer for 2.98

Children's Tams About 45 Children's all wool Tams, in white only. Regular 50c value, to be closed at.... 29¢

Stationery In handsome boxes each one containing 24 sheets of best cloth finished Writing Paper and Envelopes. Regular 35c and 50c quality .... 23¢

Men's Overcoats 150 Men's Long Overcoats in nobby Scotch oxford cheviots and friezes, cut full length in both single and double breasted styles. $12.50 value, special for this sale only 7.50

Pyrography Glove and Handkerchief Boxes, large size, nicely made and beautifully designed, ready for decoration. Regular price 25c each .. 12½¢

Boys' Skates 250 pairs of imported Key and Button Heel Hockey Skates. Regular price 75c; with each pair we give FREE a hardwood Hockey Stick. All for .... 29¢

Men's Suits 200 in attractive worsted and cheviots, excellent fitting and very serviceable for business wear. $12.50 suits, for 3 hours only 7.50

Books Painting Plays for children to color with paints or crayons, size 6x9, with full directions for mixings colors, drawing, etc...... 19¢

Dress Goods 36 pieces of 36-inch Dress Goods, in light gray mixtures, plaids, check effects and plain colors. Values from 39c to 49c per yard, for 3 hours.. 29¢

Flatiron Heaters Hold 3 irons. Regular 24c. For this sale .... 17¢

Raisins Extra fancy seeded Raisins. Regular price 15c, at 2 for 25¢

Root Beer Bryant's or India brands. Regular price 10c per bottle, at 5 for 10¢

Ladies' Desks Imitation mahogany, constructed from seasoned stock, excellent workmanship, right size for student's room, each desk has complement of inner com- partments, length dr brass kn fore leg and is value, White

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Wash Goods Short ends soiled lots of W Goods. Prices range from 12½c to 25c a yard. To clean them up quickly, per yard, at. 7½¢

"Aluminum" Saucepans Won't rust, crack, chip or peel, made of one piece of metal, 2-qt. size. Regular 64c, for this sale .... 49¢

Velveteens 500 yards of Velveteens in all the season's shades, including navy, garnet, myrtle, Java, light blue and black, firm close pile. Value 59c, for three hours.. 39¢

Silk Louisienne 400 yards Silk Louisienne in broken checks, for waists and dresses, very durable and exceptionally fine quality. Would be excellent value at 59c. Special for 3 hours ...... 39¢

Bolero Jackets Of flannelette, pretty floral designs, finished nicely throughout. A 25c value.. 12½¢

Ladies' Waists 125 Waists, mussed and soiled in handling by Christmas shoppers. None worth less than $1.25, some as high as $1.98, at.. 59¢

Ladies' Sweaters Small lot of Sweaters, all wool, many desirable colors to select from. Reduced from $1.98 to close at .... 55¢

Shoe Laces One manufacturer's lot of Tubular Shoe Laces, extra fine quality. Usual price per pair 5c, for 3 hours, doz. ... 7¢

Jet Pin Sheets Sheet Pins of 60 jet, white or assorted head pins. Regular value 5c, for 3 hours, sheet 3¢

Corn Starch Cream Corn Starch. Regular price 10c, at 3 for.... 25¢

Candy Friday Chocolates, fresh made, from our own factory; a quality that cannot be duplicated elsewhere in Boston for less than 40c a lb. Friday only for a lb. box.... 23¢

Baking Powder Regular price 25c, a can at.... 10¢

LEGAL STAMPS ON ALL PURCHASES

ROOSEVELT IS STORM CENTRE IN NAVY CLASH

ALL WASHINGTON EXCITED OVER RESIGNATION OF BUREAUCRATIC CHIEF.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Washington is aghast at the clash between Rear Admirals Rixey and Brownson, the two naval officers closest to the President, and further sensations are expected in the collision, whereby Admiral Brownson, by his sudden declaration of independence from the President's will, "fairly blew President Roosevelt out of water."

"Fighting Bob" Evans, with his big fleet at Trinidad, is in the middle of the astonishing bureaucratic upheaval, but on which side, whether with the President or with Admiral Brownson, is as yet hidden in the secret book of the Navy Department. Code messages are flying back and forth between Evans and the White House.

Capital Is Stirred

That Admiral Brownson, in whom the President reposed such confidence that he induced him to stay at the head of the bureau of navigation, the most important in the navy at this juncture, should have taken the bit in his teeth and voluntarily flung his resignation at the feet of the President, apparently because the latter is believed to have yielded to Surgeon-General Rixey, his personal physician and frequent companion, and violated naval precedent by dictating the appointment of a surgeon officer to command a hospital ship, has excited the national capital more than it has been stirred in a long time.

Admiral Brownson admits to-day that he had furnished information regarding the fleet to Henry Reuterdahl, whose sensational attack on the American navy is believed by some to be the real cause of ...son's action.

President Astonished

...ent Roosevelt did not look for ... drastic and radical demonstra... ...dependence and never expected ... his will and that of another ...e possessor of the other would ...tartling a position.

...ngton is discussing the breach in ...fairs to-day in excited corner knots ...ridor discussions and all wondered ...underlying reason for the sudden ... down and out of the rear admiral, ... years was not only one of the ...en of the navy, but a close per...nd of the President as well.

...-General Presby M. Rixey to...ued a statement in connection ...resignation of Admiral Brownson. ... the Surgeon-General disclaims ...ledge of the reason for the Rear ... sudden action, the statement it... that there has been a decided ...ween the bureau of navigation ...bureau of medicine of the navy, ...controversy in which Brownson ...ed.

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"Any information about my resignation which is given to the public will have to come from the White House," said he. "The position of chief of the navigation bureau is a presidential appointment. That is why my resignation was handed to the President at the White Hiuse rather than to the office of the Secretary of the Navy. Mr. Roosevelt is the only person who has any right to make my letter public or to say anything about the causes that prompted me to write."

No Authority. He Says.

"It is currently stated, Admiral, that the reason was a clash with the President over the decision to place Surgeon Stokes in command of the hospital snip relief—in fact, that there was a tug of war between you, fighting for the integrity of the line, and Surgeon-General Rixey, battling for the doctors in his department—and that when the decision to place a surgeon rather than a sailor in command of the snip you resigned rather than submit?" he was told.

"Well, those who say that have no authority for any such statement," was the reply. "I have said nothing and do not intend to. It is not ethical for a member of the navy to discuss such matters, and I do not intend to."

Surgeon-General Rixey's statement is a defence of the appointment of a surgeon to command a hospital ship.

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NOTES.

Stationary Firemen No. 3 have elected the following officers: Michael Murphy, president; P. J. Thornton, vice-president; James V. Hill, recording secretary; Bailey Grinnell, financial secretary; Patrick Trainor, treasurer; P. Murray, sergeant-at-arms; T. Dwd, Joseph P. Flanagan and J. McDermott, trustees. The union has odnated $10 to the Cohen-Driscoll fund.

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John Stephens has been elected master workman of Longshoremen No. 7,174, O'Connell Assembly, for the twenty-third time. Michael Keerey is worthy foreman; John Barry, financial secretary; A. J. Norander, recording secretary; Peter Burnette treasurer; William O'Brien, almoner; John Supple, outside esquire; John Birmingham, inside esquire; Matthew O'Connel, worthy inspector.

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Freight Clerks' Assembly, No. 1,793, K. of L., have elected the following officers: Master workman, P. J. Flaherty; worthy foreman, J. P. Sullivan; recording secretary, Frank D. Brown; financial secretary, Edward Burns; treasurer, Lawrence Aldwell; almoner, Michael Disken; statistician, J. F. Emery, and Michael Nallissey, P. J. Flaherty, Edward P. Reardon, A. W. Cole and D. F. Fegan, delegates to district assembly.

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Boston Gas Fitters, Fixture Fitters and Hangers No. 195 elected the following officers: President, John J. Conway; Michael J. Brown, vice-president; J. W. Mooney, recording secretary; B. F. Andrews, financial secretary; Charles Snarburg, treasurer; John J. Reilly, sergeant-at-arms, and John F. Clancy, John J. Conway, J. W. Mooney, B. F. Andrews and C. Harrington, delegates to the Boston C. L. U. Ten dollars was voted to the Cohen-Driscoll fund.

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Chandelier Workers No. 6 have elected the following officers: William Spratt, president; Martin Geraghty, vice president; Anthony Chapin, recording secretary; John Hines, financial secretary; Louis Harer, treasurer; Alex Garrity, guard; trustees, Arthur Thayer, Anthony Chapin and Martin Geraghty.

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Upholsterers No. 53 will hold a special notified meeting to-night at No. 30 Hanover street.

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Boiler Makers No. 431 elect officers to-night at No. 724 Washington street.

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Car Workers, Allston Lodge No. 107, elect officers to-night in Parnell Hall, Brighotn.

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Mrs. Cobden Sanderson lectures at Faneuil Hall, New Year's night on "The Power of the Wage Earner."

MEETINGS TO-NIGHT.

Chelsea Central Labor Union, at No. 220 Broadway.

Malden Central Labor Union, in Bailey's Hall.

Joint Executive Board of Bartenders and Hotel and Restaurant Employes, at No. 1,160 Washington street.

Boilermakers No. 431, in Naomi Hall, No. 724 Washington street.

Car Workers, Allston Lodge No. 107, in Parnell Hall, Brighton.

Cigar Factory Strippers No. 8,156, at No. 9 Appleton street.

Ferry Employes No. 12,504, at No. 17 Border street, East Boston.

Glass Workers No. 28, at No. 18 Kneeland street.

District Assembly No. 30, Original K. of L. in Roughan Hall, Charlestown.

Upholsterers No. 53, in Carpenters' District Council Hall, No. 30 Hanover street.

Wire Workers No. 1, at No. 18 Kneeland street.

Cigarette Makers No. 120, at No. 164 Canal street.

Hoisting and Portable Engineers No. 4, at No. 789 Washington street.

Bottlers and Drivers No. 122, at No. 1,095 Washington street.

Longshoremen, Eureka Assembly No. 9,623, at No. 64 Hanover street.

WHICH IS THE WORST, TO BE LOVED TOO MUCH? TO BE LOVED TOO LITTLE?—Affectionate Mrs. Kehr petted and kissed Mr. K. till he fled in dismay; cold Mrs. Judd held the loving Mr. J. at arm's length, sternly forbidding any attempts at husbandly affection. See Next Sunday's AMERICAN.

ONE KILLED, MANY HURT IN WRECK

CONNEAUT, O., Dec. 26.—One man was killed and several hurt in the wreck of a Lake Shore passenger train early to-day near Franklin, Pa.

"FLEISHER'S KNITTING & CROCHETING MANUAL," is invaluable to expert and beginner—contains illustrations of new and staple garments, with directions for making. Teaches knitting and crocheting by quickest method, made easy by illustrated stitches. Mailed for 20 cents. S. B. & B. W. FLEISHER, Dept. 73, Philadelphia.

Boston Sunday American To Trace Lost Persons

THE BOSTON SUNDAY AMERICAN will next Sunday establish a bureau for the finding of lost persons. If any of your loved ones are missing, the Boston American, through its wide medium of publicity throughout New England, will seek to gain news of the one sought.

There will be no charge for the service.

Send in a brief description of those whom you seek to have restored to you. Whenever possible photographs of those sought to be traced will be published.

Everyone of the thousands of readers of the Sunday American will be asked to co-operate in locating the missing and restoring them to those who seek to bring them home. Address all communications to the

TRACER OF LOST PERSONS, THE SUNDAY AMERICAN, BOSTON, MASS.

SUPT. TYTER GIVEN DIAMOND AND BAG

James D. Tyter, recently appointed assistant superintendent of the eastern section, Fitchburg division, of the Boston & Maine, who was spending Christmas with his wife and family at his home, No. 49 Elm street, Somerville, was presented with a diamond ring and a traveling bag by his associates. The gift was a great surprise.

$2,000,000 LEGACY TO ENGLISH COLLEGE

LONDON, Dec. 26.—Trinity College, Cambridge, benefits to the extent of $2,000,000 by the death of Lady Pearce yesterday. Her husband, Sir William George Pearce, chairman of the Fairfield Shipbuilding & Engineering Company, died on Nov. 2 last. By his will his fortune was bequeathed to Trinity College on the death of Lady Pearce.

SHAH DELAYS; UPRISING NEAR

TEHERAN, Persia, Dec. 26.—The Shah is again trying to stave off subscribing to the constitution to-day. He pleads ill-health, but the leaders of the Constitutional party say this is a mere pretense and public feeling is raising to fever heat.

A mutiny threatens among the troops at any time, and with it, it is believed, a general uprising of the people is bound to come, with the certainty of heavy loss to foreign interests in Persia.

SHOCKING DISILLUSIONMENT OF PRETTY MABEL HALL.—Beautiful, innocent and well bred, she awakes from a dream of a romantic love to find that everything her heart held dear was false, impossible and horrible. See next Sunday's AMERICAN.

RETIRED GROCER DEAD.

WEYMOUTH, Dec. 25.—John Grayton Worster, a retired grocer, died at his home, No. 44 Commercial street, Weymouth Landing, to-day after a lingering illness. He was the father of Representative Russell B. Worster.

Mr. Worster was born in Weymouth on March 21, 1838.

Mail Orders Promptly Filled

THE DAYLIGHT STORE
TRADE MARK REGISTERED
GILCHRIST Co
BOSTON'S FASTEST GROWING DEPT STORE
WASHINGTON AND WINTER STREETS

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MONTH END SALE

Thursday | Friday | Saturday

POWERFULLY attrative bargains will be found in every department throughout the Daylight Store during to-day, to-morrow and Saturday, many of which have been remarkably low priced specially for these three days only.

Lace Curtains

Scotch Lace Curtains, regular price $2.00 pair. *Sale Price* 1.25

Bobbinet Lace Curtains, full ruffle, regular price $2.00 pair. *Sale Price*........1.25

4th Floor, Wash. St. Section

Table Linens, Etc

Table Cloths, Napkins, Towels, Scarfs, Doilies, Embroidered Flannels and White Madras Waistings, soiled during the Christmas rush, marked at 25% **Less Regular Prices.**

Basement, Wash. St. Section

Dress Goods

Cream Crepene, rich and popular for full evening costumes, strictly all wool. *Sale Price*..............50¢

Beautiful Plaids, all combinations, desirable for children's wear. Value 75c yard. *Sale Price*........59¢

Nun's Veilings, sheer, strong, durable and popular, in all the best shades, including cream and blacks. *Sale Price*....................75¢

Heavy Winter Coatings, in plaids, stripes, checks, mixtures. Worth $1.50 and $2.00 yard. *Sale Price*.........98¢

1st Floor, Winter St. Section

Boys' Clothing

Boys' Suits and Overcoats, broken sizes, 3 to 10 years, plain colors and fancy mixtures. Were $3.00. *Sale Price*....................1.95

Boys' Suits and Overcoats, in splendid wool mixtures, not all sizes in all lots, but all sizes in many of the lots. Value $5.00. *Sale Price*..2.95

Boys' Suits and Overcoats, sizes 3 to 16 years, in all the latest Fall styles. Regular $5.00 garments. *Sale Price*....................3.49

3d Floor, Wash. St. Section

Women's Neckwear

Embroidered Linen Collars, clean, fresh goods, but the size assortment is somewhat broken, value 25c. *Sale Price*.............12½¢

Women's Bow Ties, in satin, a variety of colors and styles, to wear with turn-over collars, value 25c. *Sale Price*.............12½¢

1st Floor, Winter St. Section

Petticoats

Royale Black Taffeta Silk Petticoats. Worth $6.00. *Sale Price*..............3.98

Black Silk Finished Moreen Petticoats. Worth $3.00. *Sale Price*..............1.98

3d Floor, Wash. St. Section

Women's Gloves

Women's Gloves, that have been mussed on our special counters, mostly mocha and suede, some silk lined, black and colors (positively no mail orders). Value $1.00 and $1.25. *Sale Price* 49¢

1st Floor, Winter St. Section

Underwear

Women's Jersey Vests, fleece lined, silk trimmed, full elastic sizes. French band, ankle pants to match. Value 50c. *Sale Price*..........39¢

Boys' Shirts and Drawers, heavy Egyptian ribbed, made from standard first quality yarn, correct sizes. Regular price 50c each. *Sale Price*...............29¢

3d Floor, Wash. St. Section

Women's Hosiery

Women's Cotton Hosiery, Hermsdorf blacks, fine imported German goods, value 50c. *Sale Price*..........29¢

Women's Imported Hosiery, lisle thread, plain and lace, Hermsdorf blacks, silk embroidered (180 pair only), value 50c pair. *Sale Price* 35¢

3 Pair for 1.00.

1st Floor, Wash. St. Section

Girls' Apparel

Girls' Dresses, black and white checks, Russian style, daintily trimmed, full pleated skirts, sizes 6 to 14 years, actually worth $1.50. *Sale Price*....................98¢

Girls's Coats, made from good cheviot, in colors blue, green and red, finished with large collar, neatly piped full box back, sizes 6 to 14 years, worth $3.50. *Sale Price*....................1.89

2d Floor, Wash. St. Section

Laces

Venise and Oriental Bands and Insertions, Net top laces, in white and butter, odd patterns, value 15c and 20c. *Sale Price*..........10¢

Cotton Torchon Insertions, soiled pieces, value 5c. *Sale Price* ....2¢

1st Floor, Winter St. Section

Lace Waists

Lace Waists, silk lined, also many silk waists in several of this season's best styles, too numerous to describe. Value $5.00. *Sale Price*..3.95

Silk and Lace Waists, this season's best styles, made from fine quality material, richly trimmed. Actually worth from $7.50 to $10.00. *Sale Price*..............4.98

2d Floor, Wash. St. Section

Women's Suits

Women's Man Tailored Suits, from good all wool broadcloth, cheviot and serges, in blue, brown, black, wine and fancy stripes, mixtures, coat cut 26 to 30 inches long, in the new prince chap styles, skirts full plaited with and without fold on bottom. Worth $22.50. *Sale Price*.....14.75

Women's Suits, strictly tailor made, from very fine broadcloths, cheviots, serges and fancy worsted, in all colors, coat cut 28 to 36 inches long, both semi and tight fitting effects, neatly tailored with self straps and velvet collar, full plaited skirt with and without folds. Worth $30.00. *Sale Price*..................16.75

2d Floor, Wash. St. Section

Infants' Apparel

Infants' Long and Short Dresses, yoke style, finished with tucks and insertion, value 39c. *Sale Price* 23¢

Infants' Drawer Leggins, white worsted, without feet, choice quality, actually worth 75c. *Sale Price*...45¢

2d Floor, Wash. St. Section

Women's Coats

Women's 50-Inch Coats, made from all wool thibet cloth, satin lined, neatly trimmed with braid and velvet, worth $10.00. *Sale Price*.6.75

Women's Coats, cut 50 inches long, made from choice all-wool cheviot, velvet collar, both loose and semi-fitting, worth $12.50. *Sale Price* 8.75

2d Floor, Wash. St. Section

Waists

Flannel and Nuns' Veiling Waists, in black and colors. Reg. price $4. Sale Price.1.98

Pure Irish Linen Waists. Regular price $5.00. *Sale Price*....................2.50

White Figured Madras Waists. Regular price $1.50. *Sale Price* ....98¢

3d Floor, Wash. St. Section

Underskirts

Women's Jersey Knit Underskirts, atually worth 50c. *Sale Price*..............19¢

Women's Outing Flannel Night Robes, worth $1.00. *Sale Price* ....49¢

3d Floor, Wash. St. Section

Sofa Pillows

Made Up Sofa Pillows, satin covered, regular $2.50 quality. *Sale Price*..........1.49

4th Floor, Wash. St. Section

Furs

Women's Fur-Lined Coats, 50 inches long, made from fine all wool broadcloth, lined with rich dark fur and inter-lined with flannel, fur collars of river mink, raccoon, French coney, worth $35.00. *Sale Price*.....21.75

Black Lynx Sets, large pillow muff and nice throw scarf, worth $30. *Sale Price*..22.50

Natural Mink Sets, pillow muff and throw scarf, worth $20. *Sale Price*........10.00

French Coney Sets, sable collar, pillow muff and throw scarf, also an odd lot of scarfs in a variety of styles, worth from $5.00 to $7.50 each. *Sale Price*........3.98

2d Floor, Wash. St. Section

Silks

Crepe de Chines, full 23 inches wide, in all wanted colors. Regular price 75c yard. *Sale Price*.......55¢

Habutai Silks, bright, lustrous finish, for scarfs, waists or full costumes. Value 70c. *Sale Price*...55¢

Plaids, full 19 inches wide, in a good range of combination colors. Worth 69c yard. *Sale Price*........39¢

Plain and Fancy Silks, short lengths and dress patterns. Worth up to 59c yard. *Sale Price* ....19¢

1st Floor, Winter St. Section

Fancy Baskets

Our entire stock of Fancy Baskets at 50% **Less Regular Prices.**

4th Floor, Wash. St. Section

House Dresses

Women's Two-Piece Suits and Wrappers, made from standard materials, selected patterns, all sizes. Worth $1.25. *Sale Price*........89¢

Women's Robes, cut full length, from all wool eiderdown, choice blankets, etc., properly made and trimmed. Worth $5.00. *Sale Price*.3.95

2d Floor, Wash. St. Section

Women's Sweaters

Mannish Coat Sweaters, regular price $3.50. *Sale Price* 1.98

3d Floor, Wash. St. Section

Wash Goods

Remnants and Soiled Ends of Wash Fabrics, of all description, accumulated during the great Christmas rush, marked at special reduced prices for Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Basement, Wash. St. Section

Legal Stamps in All Departments | Full Books Purchased for $2.50 in Merchandise or $2.00 Cash.

Entire Stock of Toys, Dolls and Games | 50% Discount

ANTY DRUDGE
GUESSOAP LAUNDRY

Anty Drudge Tells How to be Rid of the Smell.

Miss Chirp—"Say, Anty, do you notice that odor? I've just had this waist washed and the laundry soap has made it smell horrid!"

Anty Drudge—"Yes, dear! No one without a cold could fail to notice it. But why don't you have your clothes washed with Fels-Naptha? It will leave them sweet and fresh without any odor. And they'll be cleaner and wear longer than if washed in the old, washboiler way."

Do your clothes have an odor when they come from the wash?

No—if you wash with Fels-Naptha.

Yes—if you use ordinary laundry soap or washing powders.

If you could see what goes into the ordinary soaps and powders, you would understand why they leave the clothes yellow and ill-smelling.

If you could see the pure materials that form a basis for Fels-Naptha you would know why it makes your clothes white and sweet, free from all odors.

Compare clothes washed with Fels-Naptha in cold or lukewarm water with clothes on which ordinary laundry soaps and powders have been used.

No other soap is anything like Fels-Naptha—in results.

Be sure to use Fels-Naptha the Fels-Naptha way, in cold or lukewarm water—no boiling. Get a supply from your grocer. Look for the red and green wrapper.

Queen Quality

TAN BOOTS.

FASHION says "Tans" are no longer a novelty, but a necessity. And so you would say to see how they sell these days.

A new lot of "Queen Quality" Tan Boots just received. Smart, new toe shapes. New short forepart effects. Soft, mellow Tan Russia Calf. Distinctively handsome Boots.

At $4.00 the pair.

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There are times when a woman feels nervous, irritable, and blue. These symptoms are the result of peculiar conditions which indicate the need of a safe and dependable remedy to assist Nature in her efforts to establish healthy action to the organs which directly affect woman's health.

Beecham's Pills

may be safely employed whenever backache, weakness, a feeling of nausea, faintness, nervousness, lassitude or other disagreeable sensations foretell derangements that need righting and regulating.

Beecham's Pills improve the digestion, bring back the appetite, purify the blood and clear the complexion. They have been used by women of every land, with uniform success for nearly sixty years. They are universally recommended as a mild laxative, an ideal conditioner and

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In Boxes with full Directions. 10c. and 25c.

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FISH REFUSES TO BE PARTY TO EJECTMENT

Lessee of Property Occupied by Mrs. Williams Demands Square Deal.

LOOKS TO WARD 24 MEN

Manus J. Fish of No. 43½ Brent street, Dorchester, lessee of the property occupied by Mrs. Annie E. L. Williams, mother of Hattie Williams, at No. 1,800 Dorchester avenue, Dorchester, against the will of Mr. Fish, who asserts he was brought in on the lease by respectable citizens of Ward 24 to get the building for a political headquarters for the John F. Fitzgerald Club, since disorganized, said to-day:

"I will not have anything to do with ejecting Mrs. Williams, but will not say that she is going to remain at 1,800 Dorchester avenue. I signed the lease last May for the few people who wanted to organize a club in the central location of the ward. They picked out the present contested site.

"Last June, after I had served writs on Mrs. Williams, notifying her of the lease, Dr. Parker of 1773 Dorchester avenue, notified me that a Johanna Murray, living there, was very sick and not able to be moved. I gave them all the time needed, expecting them to do the right thing by me.

Demands Square Deal.

"A few men have saddled this business on me to my sorrow. That house has cost me $150 up to date; this woman is paying nothing, and before the lease expires $175 becomes due.

"I now expect the men who brought this business on me—I will not mention their names at present—to release me and take the lease off my hands. I do not want one of them to mix me up in ejectment proceedings, and I refuse point blank. I will dispose of the lease first.

"I have written to Mr. Fish, 34 School street, constable in the proceedings, and released him from the case altogether. I offered to pay Mrs. Williams for what she spent in fixing up the house, about $60. I have lived in Ashmont for the past twenty years and have gained the respect of my neighbors. I want to be put in the right light before my friends. I want to treat everybody square and want a square deal in return."

Carpenter Sends Bill in Vain.

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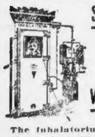

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"I had all the signs of Consumption, cough, chest pains, raising heavy phlegm, weakness, loss of flesh, sometimes a little blood. All these have disappeared under the Inhalatorium treatment and I am a well man."

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REMNANTS and ODD LOTS

At Almost Any Price to Get Rid of Them

This Is the Last Bargain Friday Sale of REMNANTS and ODD LOTS You Will Ever Have the Opportunity to Attend in the Year 1907

Every remnant, every short length, of any kind, every odd lot, every broken line, every article that is soiled or crumpled in any way will be offered at some price or another to get rid of it Friday and Saturday. We are determined to start with clean stocks next Monday, and to get this merchandise out of the way we will almost give away things that you must have immediately after Christmas but neglected to buy during the holiday rush. So take a hint—your money will go three or four times as far now as it will a little later.

Sale Continues SATURDAY on All Lines Not Sold Out FRIDAY

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Siegel's lead the New England States in their Remnant Sales because you can always find the right length in the material you prefer.

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BROKEN LINES
BROKEN SIZES
At almost any price to get rid of them

Final '07 SILK REMNANT SALE

Regardless of cost we have marked every remnant at such a low figure that it will cause eager buying of silks of every conceivable weave. Broken lines cut up into waist and skirt patterns at less than manufacturer's cost. Plain silks, fancy silks and black, it will be the last opportunity this year, and our final remnant sale will not be forgotten for some time to come, for never before have we marked silk remnants at such ridiculously low prices.

22c A YARD. Were up to 59c	Pongees Peau de Cygnes Shantungs Habutais Fancy Silks Foulards Crepe de Chines Velveteens, etc.	**32c** A YARD. Were up to $1.00	Fancy Taffetas Messalines Liberty Satin Lining Taffeta Peau de Cygne Floral Taffetas Moire Velour, etc.

950 Yards Black Silk Remnants At Less Than ½ Price

Including black taffetas, peau de soies, peau de cygnes, chiffon taffetas, satin messalines, etc.

Henry Siegel Co.—Main Floor.

DRESS GOODS Remnants

This being the last Bargain Friday in the month and the year, we offer bargains in remnants and ends of pieces in dress goods that we have not been able to offer before this season, as we are anxious to make room for new merchandise that is arriving every day.

19c yd was 49c to 69c	**Remnants of Dress Goods**, including all the short ends of 36-inch suitings, in checks, plaids, stripes and fancy effects; also a few remnants of 36 and 42-inch all wool batiste, in plain colors, lengths ranging from 2½ to 8 yards.
35c yd was 75c to $1.50	**Remnants of Dress Goods**, including all wool prunellas, all wool serges, all wool shepherd checks, all wool poplins, all wool voiles, all wool panamas and fancy suitings of all kinds. No mail orders.

Henry Siegel Co.—Main Floor.

Remnants of WASH GOODS & FLANNELS

This being the last Friday in the month, and the last in the year, we offer the entire season's accumulation of remnants and short ends at ridiculously low prices.

5c yd. was 10c to 19c	**Remnants of Wash Goods**, including percales, voiles, challies, batistes, lawns printed dimities, etc., in lengths ranging from 1½ to 12 yards.
7½c yd was 12½c to 25c	**Remnants of Flannel Shirtings**, crepes, 36-inch percales, flannelettes, plain and fancy Melrose flannels, galateas, shirting madras, in lengths from 2 to 10 yards, many two and more of a kind.

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Remnants of LACES

All this season's odd pieces and short lengths in dress laces, trimming laces, underwear laces, laces for fancy work, allover laces, batiste edges, colored trimmings, batiste edges and insertions, motifs, bandings, etc.

5c a yard.	10c a yard.	25c a yard.	50c a yard.	75c a yard.
WERE UP TO 15c	WERE UP TO 30c	WERE UP TO 65c	WERE UP TO $1.00	WERE UP TO $1.98

Henry Siegel Co.—Main Floor.

Remnants of RIBBON

All odd lengths of ribbon left over from our busy Christmas selling to be closed out at any price.

5c yd. was 15c	1000 Yards Plain Taffeta Ribbon.
8c yd. was 15c to 17c	Remnants of Plain and Satin Taffeta Ribbon.
15c yd. was 25c	Remnants of Ribbons, satin taffetas, plain taffetas, fancy ribbons and the like.
25c yd. was 65c	Remnants of Fancy Warp Print Ribbons.
50c yd. was $1.50	Remnants of Warp Print Ribbons.
15c yd. was 25c	Remnants of Black Moire Ribbon.

Henry Siegel Co.—Main Floor.

Men's and Boys' CLOTHING

$8.75 were $15.00	**Odd Lot of Men's Overcoats**, in oxford and black kerseys, newest model, venetian or serge lining, silk velvet collar, big broad shoulders, 43 to 46 breast measure.
$8.75 were $15.00	**Odd Lot of Men's Suits**, in fancy worsted and blue serge, also black cheviot, all the newest browns, grays and fancy patterns, all nicely tailored and perfect fitting.
$1.95 were $3.00	**Men's Trousers**, in black cheviots and fancy worsteds.
$2.85 were $5.00	**Odd Lot Boys' Suits**, with two pair of pants, all wool material, all sizes, 7 to 17 years.
$1.75 were $3.00	**Odd Lot Boys' Reefers**, sizes 3 to 9 years, in fancy gray effects, a fine warm coat for boys.
$3.75 were $6.00	**Odd Lot Boys' Fancy Reefers**, all sizes, 4 to 16 years, in all-wool and fancy worsted materials, flannel or serge lining, silk velvet collars.

155 pairs Men's $2.50 SLIPPERS. To be cleared at, pair **$1.25**

Soft finish, black only, kid lined throughout.

Henry Siegel Co.—Third Floor.

WHITE GOODS Remnants

5c Yard were up to 25c	**Remnants of White Goods**, including Persian lawn, India linons, longcloth, nainsook and madras waisting, some a little mussed or soiled.
6½c Yard were up to 15c	**Remnants of Bleached Cottons**, 36 inches wide, in lengths ranging from one to six yards each.

No mail orders.

Remnants of Table Linen, 1½ to 3½ yards long, soiled, being left from the largest linen business in Boston during the holiday season.

35c	69c	89c
were 65c to 79c a yard	were $1.00 to $1.39 a yard	were $1.25 to $1.89 a yard

Soiled Napkins, in half dozen lots, to close.

49c	69c	89c
were $1.25 to $1.50 ½ doz.	were $1.79 to $2.25 ½ doz.	were $2.35 to $2.75 ½ doz.

Henry Siegel Co.—Main Floor.

Special Concert

Come and hear the Lew Dockstader big song hits demonstrated at our sheet music department by Mr. Lew Leever and others. Hear them sing

"I'LL BE WAITING, DEARIE, TILL YOU COME BACK HOME."
"WHAT WILL THE ANSWER BE?"
"EVERY LITTLE BIT ADDED TO WHAT YOU GOT."
"I'M TYING THE LEAVES SO THEY WON'T COME DOWN."
"'NEATH THE OLD GRAPE-ARBOR SHADE."

15c a Copy

BY MAIL, 16c.

Henry Siegel Co.—Third Floor.

About 35,000 Soiled and Crumpled

HANDKERCHIEFS

At Almost Any Price to Get Rid of Them, Splendid Qualities, Latest Styles

That Were 5c to $1.00

Each Sacrificed at

2c, 4c, 7c, 10c, 15c, 19c, 39c

Merely because they are slightly soiled and crumpled or have pin holes in them from being used for decorations during the holidays.

It is impossible to give a description of so great a quantity of handkerchiefs, as every known style and quality for man, woman and child is included in this wonderful assortment, including every hand embroidered initial ever designed.

It Has Always Been Our Custom

To Hold the Biggest Sales of the Year in Embroideries and Handkerchiefs Immediately After Christmas.

EMBROIDERIES are the first thing a woman thinks of after the holidays are over, and as usual we have provided about 27,000 yards of sample strips at

50c on the Dollar

During the holiday season we used something like 38,000 handkerchiefs for decorations. Of course they are soiled and crumpled, and some of them are full of pin holes, but after they are laundered they are just as dainty and pretty as they were when their prices were three times what we ask for them now.

Handkerchiefs and Embroidery Sale Begins at 8.30 Sharp This Morning and Continues Until the Closing Hour Saturday.

First Cut Price Sale

1908 EMBROIDERIES

That great annual event which always startles the New England public into buying their supply for the season. The Henry Siegel organization of four great stores buy and sell more embroideries than any other concern in America.

This vast business enables us to control the sample strips of the greatest embroidery manufacturers in Switzerland, and we are able to offer all the finest new creations for 1908 at less than half price, including a vast, a varied assortment of Swiss, nainsook and cambric in all sorts of widths, matched sets, bands, galloons, edgings, flouncings and children's dress embroidery, shirt waist embroidery, corset cover embroidery, etc., every new idea of the season is represented, including filet, Cluny, Japanese and English eyelet effects, blind embroidery, French hand work, Madeira, etc.

5c a Yd.	For 10,000 yards like you see elsewhere for 10c and 12½c a yard.
10c a Yd.	For 5,000 yards like you see elsewhere for 15c and 20c a yard.
15c a Yd.	For 4,000 yards like you see elsewhere for 25c and 30c a yard.
20c a Yd.	For 3,000 yards like you see elsewhere for 35c and 40c a yard.
25c a Yd.	For 3,000 yards like you see elsewhere for 50c and 75c a yard.
45c a Yd.	For 2,000 yards like you see elsewhere for 85c and $1.00 a yard.

Henry Siegel Co.—Main Floor.

Odd Lots of WAISTS

$1.00 were $1.50	**Persian Lawn Waists**, with entire front of Anglaise embroidery and tucking, plaited back, ¾ sleeve, tucked collar and cuff with val. edging.
$1.50 were $2.00	**Madras Waists**, four broad plaits each side of broad centre plait, plaited back, long sleeve, neat two-button cuff and laundered collar.
$2.95 were $3.95	**Net Waists**, over China silk, pointed yoke in front of insertion finished with lace ruffling, blouse and sleeves to match, baby back, collar and cuffs of insertion, with val. edging.

Henry Siegel Co.—Second Floor.

Odd Lots From the CARPET and RUG Dept.

$1.98 were $3	**Reversible All-Wool Smyrna Rugs**, size 2x1 yd
$1.39 were 2.25	117 Smyrna Rugs, 27x54 inches.
69c yd was 90c	**Tapestry Carpet**, extra heavy quality, lengths ranging from 10 to 22½ yards.
96c yd was $1.50	**Celebrated Cork Linoleum**, so much advertised.
28c yd was 30c to 45c	**2-Yard Wide Oil Cloth**, practical colors, 137 rolls.
19c yd was 45c	**Oil Cloth**, in 1-yd, 1¼ and 1½ yards wide.
$1.39 to $1.65 was $1.75 to $2.00 Sq. Yd.	**Imported Linoleum**, large assortment of designs and colors, including hardwood floor effects, tile and granite, etc.

Henry Siegel Co.—Third Floor.

Odd Sets of Fine FURS at 50c Up

50c were 1.00	An odd lot of children's Angora Sets.
$1.25 were 2.50	An odd lot of children's Thibet Sets.
$2.50 were 5.00	Odd lot of children's Black Thibet Sets.
$6.25 were $12.50	Odd lot of misses' White Thibet Sets.
$3.75 were 7.50	Odd lot of misses' Imitation Ermine Sets.
$3.95 were 7.95	Odd lot of ladies' Wool Seal Sets.

Henry Siegel Co.—Second Floor.

Odd Lots of MILLINERY

Odd lot of Millinery at less than a quarter its original price.

$1.00 were $4, $5 and $6	Two Hundred Trimmed Hats.
$3.00 were $8 to $10	One Hundred Trimmed Hats.
$3.95 were $15 to $18.50	Twenty-Eight Evening Hats.
10c were 50c	Odd Lot of Wings, coques, feathers, and the like.
68c were up to $3.50	Big Lot of Fine French hoods and flats.
$4.95 were $10, $12.50 and $15	Fifty Trimmed Toques and Turbans.
$3.00 were $7.50 and $10	Twenty-Five Children's Trimmed Hats.
68c were $1.45	**One Hundred Dozen Black English Felt Shapes**, all the new medium and small shapes.
10c were 75c bunch	An Odd Lot of Flowers, roses, morning glories, etc.

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Odd Lots of NECKWEAR

That great after-Christmas neckwear clearing, wherein we sell every piece of neckwear that became soiled or mussed during the Christmas sale. All the neckwear used in decorations and trimming, all the odds and ends and broken lots, all must go.

9c, 19c, 25c, 39c and 50c Were 50c to $1.25

Henry Siegel Co.—Main Floor.

Odd Lots of GLOVES

69c were $1.25	**Women's 2-Clasp Kid Gloves**, in tans, mode and white.
25c were 50c	**Women's Silk Lined Cashmere Gloves**, in tans and brown.
25c were 39c	**Women's All Wool Double Mittens**, plain and fancy back.
95c were $1.50	Men's Real Cape Gloves in the English tan shades.

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Grocery Specials

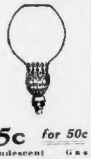
MAIL AND TELEPHONE ORDERS PROMPTLY AND CAREFULLY FILLED—WRITE OR CALL OXFORD 2600

SHOULDERS	NAPTHA SOAP	GRANDMA'S COOKIES	OLEOMARGARINE	SAMPLE TEA
Armour's fine sugar-cured smoked shoulders, U. S. inspected, meat guaranteed sweet and tender, special, per lb.,	Milford brand, thoroughly seasoned, will not injure the finest fabric, special, bar.	Or Spiced Jumbles, sold everywhere at 12c, made by the National Biscuit Co. 4 lbs. limit, not delivered, lb.,	Armour's high grade butterine, churned every day, fresh and sweet, special, per lb.,	500 lbs. choice mixed sample tea, worth 55c, special, 5 lbs. $1.00, lb.,
9¾c	3½c	6½c	20c	21c
PRUNES	**BAKING SODA**	**RICE**	**CORN STARCH**	**COFFEE**
750 boxes choice Santa Clara Valley sweet prunes, thin skin, small pit, worth 10c, special, lb.,	Hazel brand, none better at any price, special, full pound package.	400 sacks fancy Japan style whole head rice, special, 3½ lbs.,	Hazel or Red brand, none better, full pound package.	Golden Santos, worth 20c, fresh roasted daily, 7 lbs. $1.00, lb.,
6½c	7c	25c	5c	15c

BASEMENT SPECIALS

About 650 Remnants Reg. 25c TABLE OILCLOTH, in all colors, 1¼ yds. wide **12½c a yd.**

WHILE THEY LAST.
NO MAIL ORDERS.



25c *for 50c*

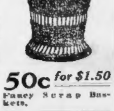
Incandescent Gas Light, complete with burner, mantle and apple shaped globe. No mail nor telephone orders.

69c *for $1.25*

Nickel-Plated Copper Tea Kettles, 14-oz. rolled copper, heavily nickel plated, size 7. No mail nor telephone orders.

25c *for 50c*

Tabouret or Plant Stand, golden oak finish, 16½ inches high, 10-inch top, 7-inch bottom shelf, carved legs.

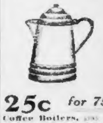


50c *for $1.50*

Fancy Scrap Baskets.

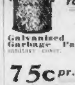
1c *ft. for 3c*

Weather Strip, wood, felt or rubber edge, for windows and doors, 12-ft. lengths.



25c *for 75c*

Coffee Boilers, gray enamel ware, 3-quart size.



39c *for 65c value.*

Galvanized Iron Garbage Pails, with sanitary cover.

75c *pr. for $2*

Carving Sets, genuine stag handles, 50 pairs, a variety of shapes and blades.

Boston American Daily Home Page

Can Man or Woman Know Each Other Before Marriage?

By Dorothy Dix

IF, as we have seen, it is next to impossible for a man to really find out before marriage what kind of temper and disposition a girl has, and the sort of life partner she is liable to make, it is quite impossible for a woman to possess herself of this important antenuptial information regarding a man.

Women may be mysterious to men, but men are the Sphinx itself to women—the riddle that they never unravel, no matter if they are married to one long enough to celebrate their diamond wedding.

For men are always breaking out in new spots, and just as a woman believes that her patient study has been rewarded and she has found the key to a man's character, he goes and get's a new combination lock that she hasn't the faintest idea how to work, put upon it.

Probably it is a dim sense that they'll never know much about men, anyhow, that makes so many women take a matrimonial leap in the dark, and marry men without the slightest investigation into their past, present or future.

You can't pick up a newspaper without reading a pathetic story of how some woman finds out that the true and noble man she has married is a bigamist, or an ex-convict or something of the kind; and all of us know dozens of cases in which girls have been suddenly wakened up from their honeymoon by finding out that they had married drunkards, or gamblers, or men swamped in debt and with no means of making a living.

Find Out First

OF course, any girl with a grain of sense in her head, or with a father who isn't so anxious to shift her support on some other man that he is willing to take desperate chances, can, and will, find out some of the elementary facts about a man before the wedding day.

It takes no Sherlock Holmes sleuthing, as a general thing, to ascertain what sort of a family a man belongs to, the social position he occupies, his financial standing, what are his morals, and whether he has had any previous matrimonial experience or not.

All of these questions, however, may be answered satisfactorily and yet leave the man the most undesirable of husbands; for matrimonial happiness depends as much, if not more, upon a man's disposition than his position in the world, upon his manners than his morals.

The real thing that it concerns a girl to know about the man with whom she is electing to spend the balance of her life is whether he is going to be true and affectionate to her, generous, tender and considerate, and there is no way in the world by which she can find these things out in advance.

To begin with the first essential. She can't even tell by a man's love-making the quality of his love, or how long it is going to last, or even how he is going to treat her.

When a man is courting a woman and trying to persuade her to marry him, he is, as old-fashioned novelists used to say, all that heart could wish.

He is never weary of telling her that she is the most adorable creature on earth, the sweetest, dearest, best, most perfect being that ever existed, and the only thing that troubles him at all is his sense of being unworthy of such an angel.

His love is not only warm and ardent, it simply boils over, and the volume of it is so great that it sweeps the girl off her feet and carries her along on the resistless gulf stream of his passion.

He may not be in all respects just the kind of a man that she would have chosen, but it seems to her that his beautiful and inexhaustible love for her will compensate for every defect, atone for every shortcoming. For after all, it is eternally true that love is enough for woman.

Having thus satisfied herself to a moral certainty, as she thinks, of the everlasting quality of the man's love, and of a well of tenderness from which she can draw with no danger of its ever running dry, she marries; and lo! no sooner is the wedding over and they settle down to real life than the man's affections apparently drop from fever heat to normal, then below normal, then to the freezing point.

There is no more flattery for her. No more lovemaking. The man who couldn't get enough of her society before marriage, and had to be run out of the house at midnight, can't be run into it now before midnight.

The Old Story

THE land is full of neglected wives. The papers teem with columns of stories of married men who have deserted their wives and run off with some other woman, and we all look pityingly at this woman and that of our acquaintance, and whisper behind our hands of some little affair of her husband's; yet every one of these men once appeared ardently in love with the woman he married, and enacted the role of lover with what the stage people call convincing earnestness.

How was the poor girl to know that Romeo didn't mean all he said? How was she to tell that his love was a fancy that would burn out almost as soon as the candles on the marriage altar?

How is any woman to ascertain whether a man really loves her for keeps, or for thirty days?

How is a woman to forecast whether the man who plies her with honeyed words before marriage will keep it up after marriage, or spend the balance of his life grumping and grumbling and knocking her for every fault, real or imaginary?

Nearly every man is a plausible love maker, and hens' teeth are not scarcer than real, live, affectionate husbands of ten years' standing. But there is no way in which the most prudent and long-sighted damsel can judge beforehand of whether a man is going to make a matrimonial jollier or kicker.

Certainly, you can't judge 'em by their words.

DOROTHY DIX.

The Tragedy of the Artistic Temperament

By Winifred Black

A MAN and his wife killed themselves in London the other day because they were very poor and they couldn't bear to do uncongenial work in order to earn a living.

The man was an artist and a writer, and the woman was a writer and an artist. Both of these people had good positions with good salaries, but the man hated the work he was paid to do and the woman, poor thing, couldn't bear to spend her time at employment that was, to say the least, uncongenial.

So they gave up their steady, honest jobs and tried to live by doing just exactly what they wanted to just when they wanted to do it.

All of the newspapers have made a great deal of the unhappy affair because the man and the woman were both well known, and both clever and both very good and generous and high minded and well principled.

"The Tragedy of the Artistic Temperament" the papers called the awful business. The tragedy of the artistic temperament—well named, Mr. Head-line Writer. I wonder how many of us would get into print in the same way if we stopped work and went to playing and expected the world to support us somehow somewhere?

Man of Genius

It takes a man of genius to work for real love of what he is doing. How many of us are geniuses?

Most of us work for money—just plain everyday old silver dollars—or bank certificates if we have to take them.

Why shouldn't we?

Life is not a game of pleasure—what sort of folk would we turn into if we never did a thing that we didn't love to do?

I know a man who gave up a good position because he hated the color of the boss's hair and didn't like the way the under-boss cleared his throat every time he spoke to the man.

Then the man who gave up his job expected his friends to lend him money to live on while he did just what he wanted to do—in the hope that he might possibly make some money by it.

And the friends to whom he applied were all people who worked for a living. One was a poet who sold books over a counter.

He hated to sell books, and he loved to write poetry—but he had a family to support, so he sold books and bought shoes for the baby.

Another of the friends to whom the man out of a job applied for help was an artist who did sketches for the daily newspaper.

He hated newspapers, he couldn't bear the smell of ink and he thought that every stroke of his pen was a stroke thrown away when he made caricatures and pictures of places where the man fell or houses where the murder was committed.

Something Better

But he was an honest fellow and he liked to pay for what he ate and drank, so he kept his job in the newspaper office and kept out of debt.

The man out of a job was very sarcastic about the friends who didn't want to lend him money to live on while he worked out a scheme of perfectly congenial employment for himself.

He never seemed to think that they might like to work out some such scheme for themselves.

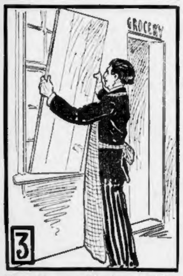
What's he doing now?

He's still out of a job—and still sarcastic.

I wonder if the two poor dreamers who died in the cold river over there in London the other day couldn't have lived and been happy and useful for years if they had only faced the fact that the world wasn't made for a great amusement garden.

There's something higher and bigger and a lot more fun than "congenial employment" in this world—and the man or woman who goes along doing what there is to do the best it may be done has found that thing right there without any great hunting for the pot of gold at the end of the rainbow of self-delusion and selfish day-dreaming.

DAILY PUZZLE PICTURE
Thing's in Photography



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ANSWER:

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Where lists are equally correct the prizes will be given to those making the best suggestions.

The list of prizewinners of last week's contest will be printed in next Sunday's BOSTON AMERICAN.

LITTLE FANCIES OF FASHION

ELIZABETHIAN ruches made of tulle are fitted into the decolletage of some of the newest evening gowns. They are four or five inches in depth.

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Buckles are now being made of the same material as the girdle and are shirred and trimmed elaborately.

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Extremely pretty are the evening bags of white Irish crochet, lined with white silk and mounted in gold frames.

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Opals are gaining in favor. Many new designs in jewelry have opals for the principal stone, which, being surrounded with diamonds, are sufficiently beautiful to cause women to cast aside their old superstitions.

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A chic departure in theatre waists is the separate waist of chiffon, generally black, and worn over a pale-colored or white foundation.

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Serges are going into tailor-mades. With serge there is always apt to arrive the vogue for velvet trimmings, at least for velvet in collar and cuffs.

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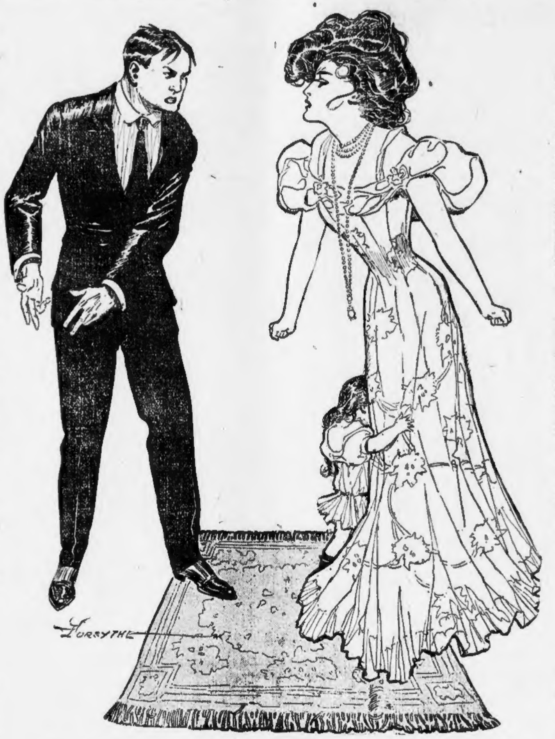
A novel idea of the Winter is the veiling of ribbon under folds of chiffon, so thin that there is just a suggestion of the ribbon's color.

Beatrice Fairfax Says the Child Should Have Some Consideration

When Parents Disagree



WHAT A SPECTACLE FOR A CHILD!

HAVE you ever watched the face of a little child during a disagreement between its parents?

Emotions will chase over the mobile little face as ripples do when you throw a stone into a calm lake.

Doubt, amazement, curiosity and, alas! fear, follow in quick succession.

The foundations of his little world are tottering under him. The two people he loves best in the world are actually quarrelling, hurling unkind epithets at each other.

Can this angry, cruel-looking man be the father he has looked up to during all the days of his short life?

And this shrewish, scolding woman, is she his own pretty mother, the refuge for every ill his baby heart has known?

Which must he stand by? The loyal, loving little heart is sorely disturbed. This is a state of affairs for which he has no remedy. It must be a hideous mistake, which will right itself presently.

The parents, absorbed in their own angry altercation, have no eyes for the grieved little figure standing sadly by.

If a man and wife cannot agree, they should at least have the wisdom to avoid quarrelling before their children.

A child's views of life are entirely colored by his surroundings. If he is reared in a happy, peaceful home, where love is the keynote of the house, he will be gentle and loving himself.

But if he lives in the midst of bickerings and scolding, he will grow up with the idea that life is ordered on that scale, and will gradually grow callous to his unhappy environment.

It does seem too bad that a little child's life should be poisoned by his parents' lack of self-control.

His life should be all sunshine and happiness. Disillusionment will come soon enough, and then he will learn the bitter side of things.

Even though they may be disappointed in each other and their love perilously near death, parents should try and put up with each other's faults for the sake of the children they have brought into the world.

The children must have their chance. The parents have had theirs, and have not made the most of it; but that is no excuse for their ruining the dispositions of their children.

Let the babies have a chance to grow up with a respect and regard for peace and loving kindness.

"THE TURN OF THE BALANCE"

A Thrilling Story of American Life by Brand Whitlock

CHAPTER XXXI.—Continued

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ARCHIE had no friend in the group of men that waited in silence, glancing curiously at him, their faces white as the whitewashed wall. The doctors held their watches in their hands. And there before him was the chair, its oilcloth cover now removed, its cane bottom exposed. But he would have to step up on the little platform to get to it.

"No—yes, there you are, Archie, my boy!" whispered Ball. "There!"

He was in it, at last. He leaned back; then, as his back touched the back of the chair, startled violently. But there were hands on his shoulders pressing him down, until he could feel his back touch the chair from his shoulders down to the very end of his spine. Some one had seized his legs, turned back the slit trousers from his calves.

"Be quick!" he heard the warden say in a scared voice. He was at his right side where the switch and the indicator were.

There were hands, too, at his head, at his arms—hands all over him. He took one last look. Had the Governor?—— Then the leather mask was strapped over his eyes and it was dark. He could only feel and hear now—feel the cold metal on his legs, feel the moist sponge on the top of his head where the barber had shaved him, feel the leather straps binding his legs and arms to the legs and arms of the chair, binding them tightly, so that they gave him pain, and he could not move.

All Over

Helpless he lay there, and waited. He heard the loud ticking of a watch; then the other side of him the loud ticking of another watch; fingers were at his wrists. There was no sound but the mumble of Mr. Hoerr's voice. Then some one said:

"All ready."

He waited a second, or an age; then, suddenly, it seemed as if he must leap from the chair, his body was swelling to some monstrous, impossible, unhuman shape; his muscles were stretched, millions of hot and dreadful needles were piercing and pricking him, a stupendous roaring was in his ears; then a million colors—colors he had never seen or imagined before, colors no one had ever seen or imagined, colors beyond the range of the spectra, new, undiscovered, summoned by some mysterious agency from distant corners of the universe—played before his eyes. Suddenly they were shattered by a terrific explosion in his brain—then darkness.

But no, there was still sensation; a dull purple color slowly spread before him, gradually grew lighter, expanded, and with a mighty pain he struggled, groping his way in torture and torment over fearful obstacles from some far distance, remote as black stars in the cold abyss of the universe; he struggled back to life—then an appalling confusion, a grasp at consciousness—he heard the ticking of the two watches, then through his brain, there slowly trickled a thread of thought that squirmed and glowed like a white-hot wire. * * *

A faint groan escaped the pale lips below the black leather mask, a tremor ran through the form in the chair, then it relaxed and was still.

"It's all over?" The doctor, lifting his fingers from Archie's wrist, tried to smile, and wiped the perspiration from his face with a handkerchief.

Some one flung up a window, and a draught of cool air, sucked through the room. On the draught was borne from the death-chamber the stale odor of Russian cigarettes. And then a demoniacal roar shook the cell-house. The convicts had been awake.

CHAPTER XXXII.

LATE in the Winter the cable brought the news that Amos Hunter had died at Capri. Though the conventionalities were observed it was doubtful if the event caused even a passing regret in the city where Hunter had been one of the wealthiest citizens.

The extinction of this cold and selfish personality was noted, of course, by the closing of his bank for a day; the Chamber of Commerce, the Board of Trade and the Stock Exchange adopted the usual resolutions, and the newspapers printed editorials in which the old canting, hypocritical phrases were paraded.

To his widow, beyond the shock that came with the breaking of the habit of years, there was a mild regret, and the daughter, who was with him when he died, after the American Consul had come to her assistance and arranged to send the body home, experienced a stealthy pleasure in her homeward journey she had not known on the outward voyage.

But to the Wards the news came as a distinct relief, for now the danger, if it ever was a danger, that had hung over them for months was definitely removed. They had grown so accustomed to its presence, however, the suspense and uncertainty had become so much a part of their lives, that they did not recognize its reality until they found it removed altogether.

Ward and Elizabeth had now and then talked about it and speculated on its possibilities of trouble in a world where there was so much trouble; and Mrs. Ward had been haunted by the fear of what her world might say.

Now that this danger was passed she could look on it as a thing that was as if it never had been, and she fondled it and caressed her full-grown son more than ever.

Ward was glad, but he was not happy. He saw that Dick's character had been marked definitely. The boy had escaped the artificial law that man had made, but he had not evaded the natural law, and Ward realized, though perhaps not so clearly as Elizabeth realized, that Dick must go on paying the penalty in his character year after year—perhaps to the end of his days.

Hopeless Case

If it made any real difference to Dick, he did not show it. Very early in the experience he seemed to be fully reassured, and Ward and Elizabeth and Marriott saw plainly that he was not wise enough to find the good that always is concealed somewhere in the bad. Dick took up his old life, and, so far as his restricted opportunities now permitted, sought his old sensations.

Elizabeth sadly observed the continued disintegration of his character, expressed to her by such coarse physical manifestations as his excessive eating and drinking and smoking.

And she saw that there was nothing she or anyone could now do; that no one could help him but himself, and that, like the story of the prodigal of old, which suddenly revealed its hidden meaning to her in this personal contact with a similar experience, he must continue to feed on husks until he came to himself.

How few, she thought, had come to themselves! Elizabeth had been near to boasting that her own eyes had been opened, and they had, indeed, been washed by tears, but now she humbly wondered if she had come to herself as yet. She had long ago given up the fictions of society which her mother yet revered; she had abandoned her formal charities, finding them absurd and inadequate.

Meanwhile she waited patiently, hoping that some day she might find the way to life.

She saw nothing of Eades, though she was constantly hearing of his success. His conviction of Archie had given him prestige. He considered the case against Curly Jackson, but finding it impossible to convict him, feeling a lack of public sentiment, he was forced to nolle the indictment against him and reluctantly let him go.

TO BE CONTINUED.

Jimmie Tells About His Latest Troubles With His Best Girl

By Kennett Harris

THE portable furnace was gasping in the middle of the kitchen floor and Jimmie, having torn up three boards under the sink and splintered them beyond all hope of relaying, was squatting before his irons, testing them from time to time. Gus sat kicking his heels on the stationary wash tubs watching his assistant while he waited for some tools. The job was by the hour.

"What's eating you lately, Jimmie?" asked the boss plumber, after a minute or two. "You look sick. And what's the use o' heating them irons until you get some solder melted for the joint? You're nutty."

"I guess I am," admitted Jimmie. "I was thinking about that Troy job. I don't b'lieve I want to go. I'm liable to get killed anyway, before I start. I've got three more guys to lick, and my neck's sore now with the jolt I got from that ham-fisted Swede last night. If the rest is as husky as he was, I'd need a week in between each scrap to get into shape. But if I got the whole bunch knocked out, I wouldn't feel easy even then."

"Got to Lick 'Em"

"WHAT do you want to lick 'em for?" asked Gus.

"I don't want to," answered Jimmie. "But I've got to do it to keep 'em away from the girl whilst I'm gone. I had it figgered up that if I knocked the hay out of five or six of 'em afore I left they'd be good for ten days, and my mind would be easy, but I don't know."

"Ain't you solid with her?" asked Gus.

"Me? Oh, I'm solid," replied Jimmie. "Sure I'm solid. But what's she going to do when I ain't around, to pass the time? I've got a hunch I know. I don't say she'll start anything, but she won't go down into the basement and hide. If she puts on her hat to take a turn around the block she'll meet some guy or another that ain't being led around by a little dog or using a slate to express himself. And me in Troy and not expected back for ten days! I guess not."

"You're foolish," commented Gus.

"I know it," said Jimmie. "You'd be foolish, too, if you had a girl like that. You can't never tell what's going to happen. It might be all right, and then again it mightn't. When I first edged in there was a dozen of 'em a-chasing around after her and she seemed to like it. I didn't, myself, so I started out to thin 'em down.

Playing Freeze-Out

"THEY was playing a little game of freeze-out around her front steps. I didn't play the game myself. First one left I'd get up, too, and stroll off with him. When we got out o' sight I'd ask him to feel of my muscle. Then I'd say, 'See here, cully, I know where there's some little peaches of girls that you can take your pick of, and I'm going to put you next. They're all right, and you can go around and see 'em any time you're a mind to and walk home instead of riding in an ambulance.'

"'That so?' he'd say.

"'Sure!' I'd tell him. 'You can find 'em 'most anywheres, excepting where we've been a-visiting this evening. They ought to hang out a red lantern on the front gate at that place. Honest, it's dangerous.'

"If he didn't seem to believe me I'd ask him to step over with me behind the gas works so's I could prove it to him. There was two of 'em went with me because they thought I was trying to fool 'em, but the others took my word for it and kept their front teeth.

"Inside of a couple of weeks I was a-setting with the lady on them steps all by ourselves, and all I got was an eye and one rib kind o' stove in with a rock. It was a pipe."

Jimmie took an iron from the furnace, looked at its glowing tip thoughtfully and continued:

The Thought of It!

"IT'S been all right since then. She's my steady. But all the same I ain't been easy in my mind ever since the old man got that contract. I'd be settin' holding hands with her and feeling as happy as a bug in a blanket when all of a sudden it would come over me that somebody else might be making a dent in them sofa springs inside of a couple of weeks. I don't say that he'd be holding hands, but that wouldn't cut no ice. He'd be looking at the sparkle in her eyes and hearing her laugh, and——"

"Put that iron back in if you want it to get het up," suggested Gus.

"And me in Troy!" said Jimmie, scowling at the iron. "If anybody gets fresh I ain't there to give 'em a poke in the neck. And what's to prevent some of the girls in the bunch from saying, 'Let's go over and see Mame. Her feller's gone to Troy and she'll be lonesome.' Will they go? Well, I guess yes, and their fellers will go trailing along and they'll have doings. And I know Mame." Jimmie shook his head dolefully. "I can't lick the whole bunch," he concluded.

"Aw, what do you care?" said Gus. "If you're solid it won't hurt nothing if she does have a little fun, and if she ain't the kind of girl you can tie to, you want to find one that you don't have to watch."

"You talk like a sausage," said Jimmie. "Gus, you don't know the first thing about it. But I ain't going to stay away no ten days, you can bet on that."

Cook Book Free For Choice Recipes

THE writer of every recipe printed below receives a copy of the BOSTON AMERICAN Economy Cook Book, a substantial indexed blankbook of 210 pages, bound in heavy oilcloth, especially designed to preserve these recipe gems in permanent form. Address Economy Editor, BOSTON AMERICAN, No. 80 Summer street, Boston.

CREAM CODFISH

Soak one-half pound of boneless codfish in hot water for one-half hour, then pick in shreds, put in a granite pan, add one pint of milk or more if desired, one tablespoon of butter. Thicken with two teaspoons of flour dissolved in a little milk and season to suit taste. This is very nice with baked potatoes.

MRS. C. C. FRANKLIN,
No. 63 Benedict street, Providence, R. I.

WEDDING CAKE CANDY

Make a cream as follows: Take five cups of sugar, two and one-half cups of water and let it boil three minutes. Set the kettle in a pan of cold water and beat quickly till it comes to a cream. Add to the cream one-half pound raisins, stoned and chopped, one-half pound dates, chopped, one-half pound figs, chopped. Put into deep pan and press down. While this is cooking make a cream of two cups sugar, one of water; beat as fast as possible; when cake is almost cold frost with this; cut in slices.

MRS. C. A. NOBLE.
No. 104 Rogers avenue, West Somerville.

OATMEAL GEMS

Two cups rolled oats, one cup sour milk; let stand over night, then add one egg, one-half cup molasses, one cup flour, one teaspoon soda, pinch of salt. Bake in quite a hot oven.

OYSTERS IN BLANKETS

Select large oysters and drain; wrap each one in a thin slice of bacon and fasten with a toothpick. Cook in hot oven until bacon is crisp.

M. E. NICKERSON,
No. 21 Union street, Charlestown.

QUEEN OF PUDDINGS

Soak four cups of bread crumbs in four cups of milk until soft; beat the yolks of four eggs, one cup sugar and one teaspoon salt together, add to the bread and milk; then add the grated rind of one lemon and one teaspoon of butter. Mix thoroughly and bake in a quick oven, but do not let it get watery. After it is cooked frost with the following if desired:

FROSTING

Whites of four eggs, juice of one lemon and one-half cup sugar. Mix all together and whip until light. Brown delicately.

MRS. HARRY E. CROSS.
No. 11 Witherbee street, Marlboro.

Handy Things for Housewives to Know

TO cleanse a carpet on the floor use six quarts of water; soft preferred; dissolve two cakes of best white laundry soap, shaved fine. When thoroughly dissolved add enough water to fill two ordinary sized pails. Let it get cool and add four ounces of ether and four ounces of aqua ammonia. Stir well. Dip an ordinary scrubbing brush into this mixture and scrub the carpet, taking a small space at a time. Then scrape with a small, flat stick and take up moisture with a cloth. Rinse with clean cloth wet in clean water. This makes the carpet look like new. Let the air circulate through the room and the carpet dry thoroughly before using. This is an excellent means of restoring old carpets. A cleanser for sweeping only may be used as follows. Sweep well and cover with dry salt; leave this all on for an hour before sweeping again. Do this thoroughly once against the nap and once with it.

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Very small towels can be obtained in an excellent quality of linen. These are particularly intended for a guest room, where a towel is supposed to be used but once. From the point of view of the home laundress their use has great advantages over that of the large-sized towels. Many housekeepers who have large supplies of other varieties of linen have never acquired these, and they make a useful and acceptable Christmas gift, particularly if an initial or monogram is embroidered upon them.

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A pinch of salt improves cakes, candies and almost everything that is cooked.

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Remove smoke stains from ivory by immersing it in benzine and going over it with a brush.

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Boil six peach kernels in a quart of milk to be used for custard. It will improve the flavor.

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Sift a tablespoonful of flour with the cornmeal used for mush. It will prevent the mush from sticking.

TOMORROW'S BEST BARGAINS
IN BOSTON'S BIG STORES

CHANDLER & CO. HAVE AMONG other exceptional bargains in the muslin underwear department a lot of night gowns made of very fine quality nainsook and long cloth, trimmed with lace yokes, medallions of blind embroidery and fine insertions, beadings and ribbons, worth from $3.50 to $4.50, for $2.85.

R. H. WHITE CO. WILL HAVE ON sale Friday in the ladies' coat department, on the second floor, a lot of regular $12.50 coats for $5. These coats are made from a good quality of kersey in two different styles. They are prettily trimmed with velvet and braid. The material alone is worth the price asked for the coat.

MacDONNELL'S WILL OFFER AT their Tremont Temple Store as a Friday special a lot of figured flannelette dressing sacques at 59 cents each. These dressing sacques are attractively made, belted in at the waist line, and come in beautiful color combinations of pink and white, also blue and white.

JAMES A. HOUSTON COMPANY WILL offer a bargain in the children's department on the third floor, dainty flannelette petticoats, made with umbrella flounce, with scalloped crochet edge, in sizes from four to fourteen years; will sell for 39 cents each, instead of the regular price, which is 69 cents.

J. G. SMALL WILL HAVE AS A SPECIAL to-morrow river mink sets consisting of long throw scarf and large pillow muff for $6.98 a set, reduced from $10.

PLUMMER'S WILL HAVE SOME EXcellent bargains in girls' cheviot, kersey and mixture coats. Some of them are plain tailored, lined with red flannel, and others are fancy trimmed, with braid and buttons. The coats in this lot are worth up to $8.95, but to-morrow they will sell for $4.95 each.

BRINE'S WILL MAKE SOME GREAT reductions in their feather boas. They will mark their entire stock to about half price. Those that were $4 are reduced to $2.25; the $5 ones to $2.98, and $1.50 is the price asked for those which were formerly $3.

A. SHUMAN CO. OFFER FOR TO-MORrow's sale black taffeta silk waists worth $5 and $6 for $2.95 and $3.95. These waists come in several pretty styles, open back or front, long or three-quarter length sleeves. The fronts are prettily tucked and plaited.

ANY ANTIQUE FURNITURE? WILSON'S HERE

When Francis Wilson comes to this city next Sunday, ready for his opening the following night, he will start on his regular Boston hunt for antique furniture.

Nearly everyone has his fad, whether it be books or butterflies, cryptograms or coins, pencils or pearls. One man even made a fad of collecting false teeth. But Mr. Wilson's particular bent is for antique furniture. He is constantly on a still hunt for rare old spider-legged tables, hautboys, old-fashioned settles and so on, his fancy being limited only by the extent of his purse. And Boston is one of his favorite hunting grounds when on the antique furniture trail.

If you see Mr. Wilson, during his Boston engagement, spending his time off the stage prowling about Cornhill, Brattle street and other antique furniture thoroughfares, you may guess that the distinguished actor is pursuing his fad.

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DEFIES MONEY SHARKS AND WINS OUT IN COURTS

LOAN EXTORTIONERS EVEN LOSE PRINCIPAL WHEN CASE COMES UP FOR TRIAL.

How he defied the "money sharks" and made it impossible for them to collect either $100 he had borrowed or 150 per cent. interest they demanded, is told by J. A. Letowmeau, representative of a suburban real estate agency doing business in Tremont street.

The "sharks" with whom he had done business threatened Mr. Letowmeau with the loss of his position and even brought suit against him, but he says "they did not get even the principal."

"I was forced to borrow $100 from a 'shark' after I had lost all my money in State street," said Mr. Letowmeau. "I signed what was supposed to be a contract calling for 18 per cent. interest, the rate which loan brokers are entitled to receive under the State law. Instead, I found this concern was charging me 150 per cent., and I refused to pay a cent. They sued me. In open court I told the judge that I would plead my own case.

"The loan concern threatened me with the loss of my position. At that time I was working for two different houses, and in neither of them did I receive $20 a week. So I defied the 'money sharks' and refused to pay a cent. They didn't get even the principal. I studied up the laws myself and found that they could not attach any of my pay unless I received over $20 a week.

"It is a fact that there are many men prominent in society and political life who are partners in or the agents for these illegal loan establishments."

The following is a sample of the many letters received by the AMERICAN:

"The money sharks should be driven out of business. It is outrageous for the laws of the Commonwealth to allow such places to do business.

The poor working people are being robbed by these sharks. It reminds me that about two years ago I was practically robbed by a supposed friend through a blackmail conspiracy. I secured money through a well-known "loan office" and later my goods were all mortgaged by the concern, which charged me at the rate of 72 per cent. a year.

Threatened with Assault.

When I protested at the office a big, strapping man employed there threatened to knock me down. I went to police headquarters and an official told me it would be a case for a lawyer. I consulted one, but he advised me to drop the case, as the amount involved was too small. Very truly yours,

H. LEWIS.

Boston, Dec. 23, 1907.

A number of persons who have been robbed by loan brokers have placed their cases in the hands of Attorney William N. Osgood of No. 528 Beacon building, No. 6 Beacon street. Mr. Osgood has taken an active part in the past in waging war on "money sharks," and it was through a petition of his that a bill was introduced into the House to curb their illegal methods.

FUND TO AID DISABLED MEN

For the purpose of raising a substantial sum to propogate the work of their sick and relief fund, the members of the Franklin Typographical Society, one of the oldest and best known associations of printers in the country, will hold an entertainment and concert at Tremont Temple Thursday, January 16.

The society maintains its sick and benefit fund that those members who have grown gray in the following of their craft or who have been incapacitated through accident or illness may not suffer through their inability to provide for themselves or their families.

The maintenance of the fund requires a considerable expenditure annually from the members, and it is to lessen this assessment that they have arranged an excellent concert for members and friends.

Miss Josephine Knight, a sweet-voiced soprano who has frequently been heard at charitable and social events; Miss Mary Desmond, an English contralto; Miss Alda Donnell, a versatile entertainer, and the well-known Schubert male quartet are on the program. The latter is one of the best known of the Boston singing organizations and consists of H. S. Tripp, first tenor; C. W. Swaine, second tenor; W. W. Walker, first bass, and Dr. G. R. Clarke, second bass.

Instrumental numbers will be furnished by the Kanrich Instrumental Club, comprising players from the Boston Municipal Orchestra and led by Albert M. Kanrich.

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It is needless to say that first of all, holiday goods especially bought for the Christmas trade are to be sold out regardless of cost. These departments include Dolls, Leather Goods, Toilet Articles, Jewelry, Belts, Slippers, Silk Petticoats, Gilt and Brass Novelties, Fancy Pieces in the Art Embroidery Section, etc., etc.

In addition to this great sacrifice sale, we will hold our great mark-down sale of Furs, Ladies' Suits, Coats, Skirts, Wrappers, Negligees, Waists, Cotton Underwear, Linens, Sheets, Pillow Cases, Children's Wearing Apparel, etc., etc.

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We have opened more new charge accounts in 1907 than in any year of our business experience, *and thank a discriminating public for the largest year's business in our history.* During the Special MARK-DOWN SALES goods charged beginning today, Thursday, Dec. 26th, will appear on the bill rendered FEBRUARY 1st, 1908, and NOT January 1st.

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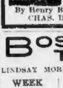

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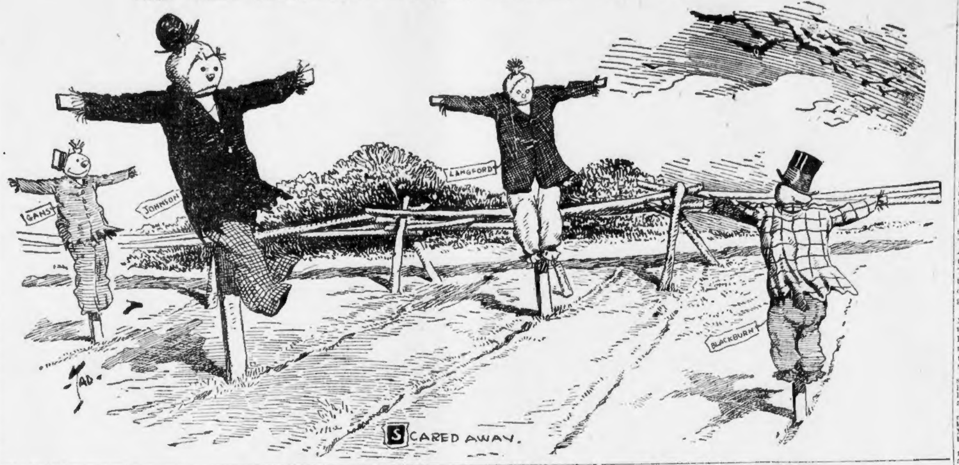

A. A. U. IS IN PECK OF TROUBLE

Halpin, Rose and Longboat now occupy the centre of the athletic stage, and how their cases will be settled by the Amateur Athletic Union authorities. It is of great importance to the track and field sport. In regard to the protest against Halpin as manager of the American team that will be sent to the Olympic games in London next Summer, a man prominent in local athletic affairs said yesterday:

"The whole thing is doing a great deal of harm to the track and field sport. From what I can learn only a few hundred dollars has been pledged so far toward the expenses of sending a team to London, and this sort of a fight is likely to keep many men from subscribing. The Irish-American A. C. must have good ground for a protest. I hardly think they would make one unless they felt they were absolutely right in the matter.

"If the trouble leads to a fight among the prominent clubs of the A. A. U., I would not be a bit surprised to see the American team composed almost entirely of college men. Already there are rumors to the effect that the colleges will get together, raise the necessary money for expenses and make an offer to the American committee of the Olympic games to send a strong team that will include competitors for every event so far as the track and field sport is concerned. Of course the colleges would make no effort to shut out the club athletes altogether, but having plenty of money and a large number of men who could easily spare the time to take part in the great London meet, three-quarters of the team would surely be students of the various colleges."

A. A. U. Sticks to Halpin.

The A. A. U. has already announced its plans for the selection of the London team. There are to be trial games in various sections of the country and the men that make the best showing at these meets are to be picked at the discretion of the American committee. This plan will undoubtedly be adhered to unless the various clubs get into a squabble over such minor questions as the selection of the man who will manage the team. There are no signs yet of a backdown on the part of the A. A. U. in regard to Halpin. His work at Athens, when he managed the Yankee team, satisfied the men at the head of the sport, and they see no reason to heed the protest of the Celtic Park athletes who objected to the way Halpin laid down the law to competitors.

Ralph Rose, the famous shot putter, is now charged with professionalism. Rose claims that he can refute the charge, and people who hope for the success of the American team next Summer sincerely desire that he can. The Yankee team cannot afford to lose the services of Rose in the great world's meet.

Longboat in Odd Position.

Longboat, the Indian, is in an odd position in the athletic world. He is disqualified by the American union and the two Canadian associations, but word comes from Canada that the redman will soon be reinstated and that the Canadian association will soon make their peace in order to send a team to London. If the Canucks reinstate Longboat and the American association fails to do so, no American athlete can run against the Indian in London.

There has been so much noise over Longboat's standing in the amateur world that even if he is finally put in good standing on this side of the Atlantic the European associations may take a different view of the matter. Longboat, through his trouble with the amateur laws, is known in Europe now almost as well as he is in America.

CRACK FIVES TO MEET.

The East Boston basketball five will play the Newport Naval Reserves, the first of a series of games for the world's title, in Lyceum Hall, East Boston, to-morrow.

SHRUBB TO RACE THREE MEN ON INDOOR TRACK

Alfred Shrubb, the peer of all distance runners in the world, will have the test of his life Saturday night, when he runs against three men at the Park Square indoor track, a distance of ten miles. He will go the entire route, while the three arrayed against him will relay it.

Frank Kanaly, Tom Williams and Sam Meyers make up the trio to face Shrubb, and there are none better in this section of the country and are about the strongest representatives in the professional game in the country. If Shrubb can capture the race against such odds then he will be credited as being unbeatable.

The great runner did not like the idea of being forced against three men, especially on a wooden track, as it is more of a handicap to him than the soft, springy outdoors, and agreed to take his chance.

He has never been beaten since coming to this country and wants to return, which he will do after the race, to England with a clean record.

Those who have seen the hardy stepper pronounce him as the most wonderful runner of the age and that he holds all records from one up to ten miles is not surprising after once seeing him travel.

The other events on the card are a ten-mile open amateur bike race, in which all the local cracks and several New Yorkers will be in the competition, and a five-mile amateur championship affair.

ROLLER POLO RESULTS.

At Providence—Providence, 1; Bridgeport, 0.
At New Britain—Hartford, 13; New Britain, 7.
At New Haven—New Haven, 10; Waterbury, 2.
At Pawtucket—Pawtucket, 3; Providence, 2.
At Hartford—Hartford, 8; Waterbury, 4.
At Bridgeport—Bridgeport, 6; New Haven, 3.

In Gruelling Finish of 24-Hour Bike Race at Park Rink

MORAN DEFEATS LOGAN

Jimy Moran, and his team mate, Iver Lawson, won the twenty-four hour race after one of the most gruelling races in bike annals last night at the Park square track, and the frenzied fans who packed the seats around the saucer oval, went wild in applauding the grand effort of the Chelsea speeder.

The finish had a lot of local interest, as Moran and Pat Logan met for final honors in a mile sprint, as their teams were the only two tied for top position, and the first prize was settled between them.

Logan had more friends present than Moran, and they let themselves loose when the South Boston pet circled the track to limber up before he tackled his big foe.

With two such well known riders racing like fiends, as if they were the bitterest of rivals, the crowd simply lost control and shook the rafters with prolonged cheers as the pair tore around the banked path.

Moran Beats Logan.

At the start, which was a moving one Moran was in front, but watching Logan like a hawk. With half a mile to go, Moran hit up the pace as he saw Logan making ready to start something. It came when Pat suddenly jumped ahead with Moran after him like mad. It looked easy for Logan, but Moran was not to be denied. He reached Logan's back wheel and on the second lap from the finish went by Logan like a flash.

The jig was up then. Moran fairly flew around the track, leaving Logan as if standing, and finished fifty yards in the lead.

The three teams tied for third, fourth and fifth money sent their sprinters to the mark to fight for the positions. Menus Bedell, Floyd Krebs and Sherwood made up the trio on which the brunt of the battle depended.

How Teams Finished in 24-Hour Race

	Miles	Laps
Moran-Lawson	461	3
Logan-Mitten	461	3
Krebs-MacLean	461	2
M. Bedell-J. Bedell	461	2
Sherwood-Wiley	461	2
Anderson-Rupprech	461	1
Holbrook-Haliagan	461	1

All refused to take the lead from the standing start, but Krebs finally got it with Bedell on his wheel. Krebs rode wide, not giving his two opponents a chance to pass him on the outside. With four laps to go Bedell cut inside and took the lead away from Krebs unexpectedly, pulling Sherwood along. Bedell slashed out a terrific gait in trying to lose Krebs, but the German was there to stay. He pumped a barrel of steam into his pedals and went at Bedell like a hungry dog. Krebs had the sprint to carry him in front of Bedell, and they nearly came together before he could pass him. A smashup was averted by inches, and the spectators held their breath as the struggle continued. Krebs gradually getting just enough room to squeeze in on the pole, and the margin was small, as the wheels nearly touched.

Krebs Won for His Team.

Krebs with his advantage once gained crossed the line by five yards in the lead, but it was close between Bedell and Sherwood. The latter had a grand burst of speed, and when they went over the line there was but a few inches between them, but Bedell caught the eye of the judges.

Anderson, the Dane, and Holbrook went after sixth and seventh money, and the Dane led all the way.

The split up of the standing of the teams came early in the day. Before daylight Moran broke loose and with Lawson doing his share, they got a lap, but on account of an illegal pickup it was not allowed. They were determined to get the circuit, and for a couple of hours the real battle was on. Moran with his great riding strength refused to let up till his team got the desired lap. The result of the hot skirmish was the lapping of all but the Logan-Mitten combination, and but for a fall by Bedell this would have been accomplished. The accident put a sudden stop on stealing ground, but Moran and Lawson had done the trick. Fifty yards more and the Logan-Mitten team would have been caught.

Anderson was Favorite.

The riding of Anderson made a big hit with the crowd. The Dane was active at all times, and won most of the hourly sprints.

That the riders were feeling the effects of the hard grind in the closing hours was evident by their action. They took nourishment while wheeling and when relieved the trainers frantically rubbed life into them to last it out. Stimulants were given freely to the tired men to keep them at the pace which was held at top notch to the end, and seven teams were completely fagged when the ordeal was over.

At 10 o'clock the men were called from the track and the representatives to compete for final standing got on the marks for the separate team prizes that were tied up in three divisions.

DAVE DESHLER DRAWS WITH YOUNG KLOBY

LAWRENCE, Dec. 26.—The meeting under the auspices of the West End Athletic Club brought together for the feature bout Dave Deshler of Cambridge and Young Kloby of Lawrence, and after twelve rounds of fast fighting the bout was declared a draw. The boxers could not agree on the regular club referee, and Johnny Burdick of New York officiated. The "prelims" were interesting, especially that between Kid Wright and Kid Mercier, both of Lawrence, which was declared a draw after six rounds.

Young Delaney of Northboro put it all over Kid O'Brien of Lawrence, and the latter's seconds threw up the sponge. About 600 members were in attendance.

YALE LOSES ROUGH GAME.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Yale was outroughed in a basketball contest played with the Central Y. M. C. A. quintet, and beaten 38 to 13. The exhibition was one of the roughest witnessed on the Central floor this season. Yale was the offender most often being penalized thirty-five times.

MORAN NO AFRAID OF ATTEL

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 26.—From present look of things a clear day will about all that will be necessary to ma the Attell-Moran fight a success, both pu listically and financially.

The question of weight is a thing t the fight fans puzzle over considera There is plenty of opportunity for see Attell and Moran in action every day, the comparisons drawn so far favor At The majority of visitors to the camps the little fellows think that Abe is fa on his feet and that he can hit greater rapidity than the English boy.

Moran, who has all the vanity o youngster of twenty-three, will not con this much, while trainers Professor Jim Kelly and Alwicks declare that it will the New Year's contest to decide whic the shiftier youngster and the har slugger.

Moran, who is somewhat "miffed" at suggestion that his prospective oppon is either neater or fiercer in the ring he is, hints that he has not been at his very best yet in San Francisco

"I know that Attell was watching closely in my go with Nell. But knows he saw me fully extended?" a Moran. "I didn't have to parade ev thing I knew on that occasion."

"You will have to, though, when meet Attell," said one of the listeners, a wink.

"That's got to be shown, too," Moran. "I'll tell you one thing, thou if Attell is as clever as they say, people w find I'm cleverer than they thought. I ways fight better when I have to. L everyone else, when I find I can maste man, I drop into a rut. I know just wh coming and I know how to block him punish him. When I have a fellow in fr of me who keeps me guessing, though, I there with both hands. The more punches me the brighter I get. I know have to watch him, and trot out everythi I have up my sleeves."

The Foreign Automobile Show will be at Madison Square Garden, New York.

Dec. 28--Jan. 4

OLD-TIME FIGHTERS ARE NEEDED THESE DAYS

By TAD.

"We never had such a lot of poor fighters in the history of the game before," said the old-timer in an up-town cafe Christmas afternoon.

"Give us some of the old-timers who knew no color line, and who never squabbled over a pound or two. Give us some Terry McGoverns, Frank Ernes, George McFaddens, Jim Corbetts, Bob Fitzsimmonses, George Lavignes and Kid Carters. There were no colored fighters when they were good that held the white boys at bay as they do now.

"There are four colored fighters in the game to-day that have the whites simply scared to death, and the only reason is that no good white boys will go and get them.

"Terry McGovern knocked George Dixon sky high when George was dropping them like toy dolls. Frank Erne gave Joe Gans the greatest licking of his career when Joe was a top-notcher. Kid Carter belted Joe Walcott so hard in the stomach in the go at Frisco that Joe saw flocks of chickens and squabs floating through the air for half an hour afterward. Kid Lavigne outfought and outgamed Walcott when he was in his prime. Jim Corbett, a mere beginner, went sixty-one rounds with Peter Jackson when the latter had all the big whites scared behind the color line.

"Why can't we have some of those fellows now? There's Gans with no one to question his right; Jack Blackburn is licking welters and middleweights; Sam Langford agreed to beat Ketchell and Thomas on the same night, and Johnson has the heavies jumping hurdles to keep out of his way.

"This color line gag is a flimsy excuse. Some of them refuse to meet the colored boys because their grandfathers were born in Virginia. Others married Southern girls, and still others refused because they are gentlemen boxers. Prize fighting is not the most elevating of occupations. If they want to be gentlemen and bar others let them be tennis players, gentlemen jockeys or bridge waist sharps. To-day the fighters are so frightened that they are afraid to meet the good white men in their respective classes. It's a lemon picking game from the smallest to the biggest of the bunch.

"Abe Attell is nearer the old-timer than any other. There are very few, indeed, who have been sidestepped by this wizard. Battling Nelson barred nobody. Jim Barry, the light heavyweight, has rushed in where angels feared to tread. Although a big man, he met both Langford and Blackburn, the two blacks who have the others scared.

"Give us some of the old-timers. Let us have a few fighters who will knock these blacks back from the front line of pugilism."

SULLIVAN WON BY KNOCKOUT

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 26.—Tommy Sullivan of Lawrence, Mass., scored the first of two knockouts at the National A. C. Tommy's victim was Harry Jones of this city, who went to sleep from a right-hand swing by Sullivan in the third round.

Young Erne of this city sent Joe Galligan of Chicago to slumberland in the fifth round of the windup.

KID SHEA GETS VERDICT.

HAVERHILL, Dec. 26.—Kid Shea of South Boston secured the decision over Young Kenny of Lowell and was easily the favorite, leading the fighting all the way. While Kenny was thoroughly outclassed and showed decidedly poor form over previous performances, he stuck it out for the full twelve rounds.

GUS DORNER UNDER KNIFE

PITTSBURG, Dec. 26.—Gus Dorner, the Dove's popular twirler, will be operated upon for appendicitis here next week. He thinks he will play better ball if his appendix is removed. Sam Brown, the Hub catcher, is O. K. again, and left the hospital to-day.

JOHN SPLAN, NOTED HORSEMAN, IN TOWN

John Splan of Lexington, Ky., one of the most famous horsemen in the world, is spending the holidays in Boston with an eye out for fast racing material to be shipped to Europe.

He made Crabtree a very liberal offer for the trotting mare Lotta, 2:08¼, but the proposition was not accepted. Before the week has passed, however, he may be successful in securing a couple of other fast trotting mares he is negotiating for.

'BAT' NELSON IS READY TO MEET PACKEY

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Battling Nelson has telegraphed his acceptance to Packey McFarland's terms for a fight, as soon after the first of the year as can be arranged. A telegram also has been received from Jimmy Coffroth, fight promoter, stating he would offer a percentage purse for the fight on Washington's birthday.

McFarland has two bouts in the East before he can go to the coast to complete arrangements for meeting Nelson. He is booked to fight Tommy Murphy in Boston January 7 and Johnny Summers, the English lightweight, in Philadelphia January 15.

BRIGGS WILL MEET COTE

Jimmy Briggs of Chelsea will leave for Lewiston, Me., this evening, where he meets Arthur Cote of Biddeford to-morrow night.

This team are the warmest rivals in New England, and they will furnish a furious engagement for the French sports in Lewiston.

The pair have trained hard for this bout, and each is confident that he will stop the other, so it looks as if the sports in Lewiston and Auburn would have one of the best glove engagements of the season when Briggs and Cote meet.

WELCH TOO CLEVER.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 26.—Freddie Welch of England proved to be too clever for Eddie Carter in the wind-up at the Wayne A. C. From the second round on the Englishman had all the advantage of every round and twice he knocked Carter down.

ROGERS TO MEET HACK.

LONDON, Dec. 26.—Joe Rogers, the New York wrestler, signed articles with Hackenschmidt, the "Russian Lion," for a catch-as-catch-can match for the world's championship for $250 a side between January 13 and 31. The place has not yet been decided

FORD AGENTS GIVE FAY SURPRISE ON CHRISTMAS

By J. C. KERRISON.

When good old Santa Claus was making his early morning rounds yesterday he paid an unexpected visit to the Watertown residence of Manager Charles E. Fay of the Ford company and left there a monster cut glass vase. Attached to the present were the greetings and the best wishes of those who sell the Ford in the city of Boston. The present was all the more welcome because it was entirely unexpected and seems to have been made to fit a certain nica in the reception hall of that new residence of Fay's.

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George Crittenden was also the recipient of a welcome present from Santa. It was nothing more nor less than an assignment to duty with the Whitten-Gilmore Company, New England distributors of the Thomas automobiles, which company is to open its new quarters on Boylston street within the next few days. Crittenden should prove a valuable acquisition to the company. He is thoroughly conversant with local trade and conditions, has a wide circle of friends and will make good.

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The annual Christmas tree of the Bay State Automobile Association will be held later in the month, and then there will be something doing. The house committee is planning several surprises for those of its members who come to the feast, and the success of a year ago will surely be repeated. One thing the committee has decided to do this year, and that is to open every package it may receive for members, and should in its opinion the contents thereof prove objectionable the presents will be confiscated. At the tree a year ago some 150 persons were present, and every one received at least one gift. The coming show will be greater and better than ever before. Reserved seats now at the box office.

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A highway running westward across the Cascade mountains, conecting eastern and western Washington, has been outlined by Joseph M. Snow, Highway Commissioner of that State. He believes that the Snoqualmie pass road now under construction through the Cascades from North Bend to Easton, at a point almost directly east of Seattle, which crosses the mountains at a summit elevation 1,100 feet lower than the next best pass, by being continued in a northeast direction across the Wenatchee river to Waterville could very easily be extended eastward to Spokane and thence to the Idaho line. Commissioner Snow says this road across the Cascades is the most important trans mountain road now under construction. The minimum grade on the eastern side of the Cascades will be 5 per cent., and on the west slope 7 per cent., whereas the grades on the road in use at the present are from 15 to 20 per cent. Furthermore, no portion of the road will be subject to snowslides and it can be traveled at all seasons of the year, ether by wheeled vehicles or sleighs.

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Wisconsin farmers are to be asked to co-operate with motorists in a move for better roads in that State. The Milwaukee Automobile Club will propose to farmers of the various road districts that they comply with certain conditions for the building of highways. These conditions will be prepared by a special good roads committee of the club. Funds to defray expenses will be raised by automobile owners and farmers in the districts where improvements are to be made. People owning Summer homes along the country highways will be expected to subscribe liberally. As an incentive to the work, prizes ranging from $250 to $1,000, a grand prize, and cash premiums of $25 will be paid to the districts that make the best improvements within a stated period. The first experiment, already planned, will be carried out between Milwaukee and Oconomowoc. Farmers will be asked to act as judges of the work in road districts not their own.

SHRUBB IN GOOD FORM.

PAWTUCKET, Dec. 26.—Alfred Shrubb, the champion English runner, easily defeated Frank Kanaly and Samuel Myers of Boston to-day in a relay race of five miles at the Sabin street grounds. Shrubb finished the five miles in 25m. 57s.

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LABOR; OR, THE MONEY-GOD! WHICH?

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CHAPTER XXIV.

What Was in the Newspapers

"I WISH I could help you, Cousin Charlie," said Myrtle one morning, as she sat in the "den."

"Do you really want to work?" he asked.

The blue eyes opened wide: "Don't you think I am sincere?"

"I never saw a young lady more so. The form of my question was inappropriate, I confess, but my excuse is that I was thinking more of the disagreeable nature of the task than your evident desire to undertake it."

"What makes it disagreeable?"

"The injustice of it all. I have served the State for thirty-four years. During that time all my ambition, all my energies, all the inventive and constructive powers with which Nature favored me, have been enlisted in the behalf of my native State. I served under others for thirty years and worked as earnestly for their interests as I would have for my own.

"Before and after workday hours, on holidays and, when exigency required, on Sundays, the aim of my life has been to increase the influence of the office which was a weak infant when I entered it, and which, when I was cast out of it by a political conspiracy, was a full-grown man, made so, I can say without egotism, by my invention and application of the principles of practical statistics.

"There is a general impression in regard to statistics which is entirely wrong. The analyses, or application of statistical results to modern industrial and sociological questions, are considered the most important part of statistical investigation. But what if the wellspring is poisoned?

How Statistics Are Juggled

"What if the person in charge of the tabulation omits from consideration those schedules which conflict with his opinions or those of his superior officers? Suppose, for instance, that he is investigating the condition of workingmen, and that the political party to which he and his superior officer belong maintains the opinion, it may be honest or otherwise, that the workingmen are much better off than they were a generation ago.

"How easy for him to reject many of those returns showing poor conditions and use freely those indicating advancement.

"The changes of a few figures, called 'editing,' may convert adverse conditions into prosperous ones. No head of a department grasps all the minute details of the office work. Of what value are the analyses founded upon 'doctored' statistics? How absolutely necessary it is that the honesty of the tabulator should be above suspicion. The president of a bank may certify as to the assets and liabilities of the institution of which he is the head, but what if his cashier is a defaulter, and the balance sheet placed before the president is full of false statements?

"Then again the construction placed upon certain statistical tables by the head of the office, often is not accepted by reviewers and sociologists, who draw a different lesson therefrom. This is all very dry and uninteresting, is it not Myrtle?"

"Not at all. I understand you perfectly. There must be honesty from the beginning, and the honest statistician is not influenced by his personal opinions or the demands of a political party."

"Spoken like a judge, Myrtle. He may be a judge, never an advocate. I have been asked to prepare statistics supporting a certain contention. I have always replied that I would give both sides of the case, and those who asked for them could use such parts as they saw fit. I was not responsible for their honesty in dealing with the people, nor could I, as a State official, fly into print and declare that they had presented only the weaker side of the argument, but, of course, the one which served best their personal or political interests. But to return to our work in hand.

Arguments Ignored

"The reason it is disagreeable is because although I have served the State to the best of my ability, my work is not appreciated, and I am attacked as though I had been a grafter, and had used my office for my personal aggrandizement. This is untrue, but how can a solitary individual meet such charges when they are sent out with apparent official approval by one high in authority, although a higher official declares there is no stigma of dishonor or dishonesty upon me!"

"And have you no redress?"

"My argument before my opponents was ignored. I showed that I had saved the State sixty thousand dollars during the four years I had been head of the office, and that the use of my patented and copyrighted devices had saved the State more than it had paid me in salary for my thirty-four years' service. One way in which I can hope for a vindication is to appeal to the courts, but then I should have to fight single-handed against combined wealth and political power."

"But can you not appeal directly to the people?"

"That is what I am doing in the book I am writing. Do you see this pile of newspapers and clippings? There must have been a thousand or more articles printed concerning the charges made against me, and about my dismissal. Some, regarded personally, are pro and some are con. If you are willing to undertake the task, it will help me greatly, if you will read them, and separate the appreciative from those which are the reverse. While you are doing this I can be working on the next chapter."

"I will do it willingly, Cousin Charlie, although I shall be tempted to throw those that speak ill of you into the waste-basket."

"Don't do that. An honest statistician presents both sides of the case, and an honest man does the same."

Several days passed before Myrtle presented herself at the "den," her arms full of papers: "I have done my best, Cousin Charlie, but I may have made mistakes on the pros and cons. The cons all say the same thing, but the pros take a wider range and are much more interesting."

"I trust you have not been prejudiced in my favor."

"Oh, no. I have tried to be a judge and not an advocate. If all they say against you is true, Cousin Charlie, you must be a very bad man in some respects; but if all they say in your favor is true, you have been treated in a very unjust and mean manner."

Extravagance? No!

"What do they say against me, Myrtle? I will consider myself on trial."

Myrtle looked over the newspapers and slips: "I can't put them in any cumulative order, so I will take them up just as they come. Did you appoint a number of your relatives to office?"

"In the whole thirty-four years there were just two; one was appointed by a predecessor as a medical expert, the other by me as a laborer. He was an honest and trustworthy man."

"They say that you had persons help you on your novels, and that they were paid for such service by the State."

"As I have stated in print, this accusation is a lie, and a libel. Not an 'hour's work was ever done on my literary work by assistants that was not paid for out of my own pocket."

"They say you made money out of machines sold to the State."

"I never sold the State a machine or anything else. They were ordered from the makers who received the pay for them—being the cost of manufacture. While in office, I gave the State the free use of my patented machines and copyrighted devices. Now that I have sold them all, the State, if it wishes to use them, must deal with the present owners."

"But doesn't it seem contemptible, Cousin Charlie, that after profiting by your inventions for so many years, that the State should dismiss you from office for *extravagance?*"

"There was no extravagance. While at the head of the office I approved bills for services and supplies representing nearly half a million dollars. No complaint was ever made. With such an ample field for extravagance in spending half a million way should I wait to indulge that propensity in disposing of a beggarly twenty-five thousand?"

"Fads" at Last Adopted.

"They say you were too imaginative, and that affected the value of your statistics. That novel writing and statistics were not compatible."

"When I was appointed to the head of the office I determined to be an investigator. To go below the conventional surface, and give the public something to think about. My 'fad' about old-age pensions has been adopted, and the Chief Executive has appointed a commission. My 'fad' about Industrial Opportunities not yet utilized has led to the creation of an Industrial Commission. Since the office was organized there have never been so many complimentary letters received regarding the statistics furnished us during the four years of my incumbency. There seem to be many persons who cannot comprehend versatility. They run in ruts, and they cannot conceive of a man working on two lines of endeavor at once. Then, they do not remember that I have always been lame, and am obliged to take my relaxation in sedentary lines instead of physical. If I had been a champion golf player, or an automobile expert, I presume those pursuits and statistics would have been considered perfectly compatible."

"They say you refused to give information in your possession to other State departments."

"Yes, unless authorized to do so by the Legislature. By law, the census returns were made confidential. I referred the matter to the Attorney-General and he sustained my interpretation of the law."

"One paper says that your statistics of the average number of children borne by living mothers were absolutely worthless."

"My figures were based upon returns made by the mothers themselves. A clerk of twenty years' experience in statistical work superintended the tabulation, the scheme of which I blocked out. The other gentleman is entitled to his guess, for it can have no higher authority."

"Your reports are said to have been profuse."

"No longer than in previous years with the exception of the Bulletin which was changed to a monthly after its proposed contents had been explained to the financial committee and been approved by them."

To Be Continued.

AWAKENED BY WOMAN, 8 FLEE DEATH IN SMOKE

Had the suffocating fumes in an early morning fire at No. 18 Claremont Park today not aroused a woman lodger, it is probable that a number of people would have met death by suffocation.

Awakening with a sense of danger at 2:20 o'clock, to find the atmosphere so oppressive that she could hardly breathe, Mrs. Bryant, who occupies the front room on the fourth floor, became aware of the imminent danger and roused her son, Horace. Together they ran through the house, giving the alarm to the other eight sleeping occupants, all fleeing to the street in their night clothing through dense clouds of smoke.

Although badly frightened for a time, none of the lodgers experienced any unpleasant effects from their experience and all were cared for by neighbors until the blaze, which resulted from an overheated furnace in the basement, had been extinguished. The damage is about $200. The house is occupied by Mrs. Annie Blake as a lodging house.

SENDS CARUSO CHALLENGE TO SONG DUEL

The most sanguinary combat that ever took place on the field of musical honor will occur when Constantino meets Caruso to decide whose voice is the more deadly, providing Caruso accepts Constantino's challenge.

It is hardly necessary to specify as to the prospective combatants. Caruso is the noted tenor of the Metropolitan Opera House, New York. Constantino, his great Spanish rival, is the tenor who has been delighting the thousands attending the performances of the San Carlo Grand Opera company in this city.

The duel is to take place on the grand opera stage, preferably that of the Majestic Theatre, providing Caruso will accept this location. The contest is to be for the tenor championship of the world and $10,000 which Constantino wishes to put up to make the combat more interesting.

The challenge issues from Constantino, the result of a little friendly comment by some of his fellow members of the San Carlo company to the effect that Enrico Caruso was a pretty fine tenor. This roused Constantino's volatile Spanish temperament, and he made the following statement:

"Caruso? Pouf! Caruso is not the artist I am. He possesses a good voice, of course, but not so excellent a one as I do. People who rave over him forget their idol when they hear me sing. I am the greatest singer.

Any Opera Will Do.

"To show how sure I am that I am Caruso's superior I have mailed him a challenge. Yes, a challenge. Not a challenge to fight, but one to sing. The one who is adjudged the best singer is to have the title of the greatest singer in the world, and also is to receive the bet of $10,000 a side. Here is the proposition I make to Enrico Caruso:

"Let him pick any opera, I care not which. We will both sing the tenor role before a commission of competent judges. Their decision is to decide the contest. We can sing on succeeding nights if it is so agreed, casting lots for the choice of nights."

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Boston was full of happy youngsters yesterday, but it is doubtful if there were any in the whole city happier than the six kiddies of "The Red Mill" at the Colonial Theatre. They were having their first Christmas away from home and everybody at the theatre seemed to want to make the day a notable one for them. A banquet was spread in the smoking room under the auditorium just as soon as the matinee was over. Before that they had their Christmas tree upon the stage of the theatre and all the company enjoyed the presentation. Montgomery and Stone provided the tree, the theatre electrician wired it with hundreds of colored lights, and with all the presents it made the most gorgeous affair that the kiddies had ever seen. D. L. Don was the Santa Claus.

WHAT MAKES US FEEL "MODEST," and why we blush, why we are bashful, why we are coquettish, and why it's improper for a woman to display her ankles in the street and yet permissible to exhibit her calves and knees on the seashore. See next Sunday's AMERICAN.

PATROLMAN HURT BY FALL.

MALDEN, Dec. 26.—While alighting from a street car Officer James Maher fell and broke his collar bone.

DEATH NOTICES.

BRADY—South Boston, Dec. 24, James J., husband of Carolina M. Brady.
Funeral from his late residence, No. 49 G street, Friday, Dec. 27, at 8:15. High mass of requiem at the Gate of Heaven Church at 9 a. m. Relatives and friends invited to attend. Please omit flowers.

CRABBIE—In Cambridge, Dec. 24, Ann McClune, widow of Miller Crabbie.
Funeral services at her late residence, 23 Elm st., Cambridgeport, Friday, Dec. 27, at 2 p. m. Relatives and friends invited without further notice.

CUNNINGHAM—In Roxbury, Dec. 23, Eliza J. (nee Mills), wife of Hugh Cunningham.
Funeral services from her late residence, 106 Hampden st., Thursday, Dec. 26, at 2 p. m. Relatives and friends invited to attend.

DEMPSEY—In this city, Dec. 24, Catherine, widow of John Dempsey.
Funeral from the warerooms of Edward Canny & Son, 29 Thatcher st., Thursday, Dec. 26, at 1:30. Services at St. Mary's Church, Endicott st., at 2 o'clock. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited.

ENGEL—In Jamaica Plain, Dec. 25, Ida, second daughter of the late Isaac and Clara Engel.
Funeral services at residence, 23 Arborway, corner Pond street, Friday, Dec. 27, at 11 o'clock. Cremation private at Forest Hills. It is particularly requested that no flowers be sent.

FELKER—In Marshfield Hills, Dec. 23, Charles H. Felker, 36 yrs. 3 mos.
Interment at East Weymouth, Thursday, Dec. 26, at 1 o'clock.

GREENWOOD—In Roxbury, Dec. 23, May B., wife of Horace E. Greenwood, 60 yrs.
Funeral services at her late residence, 31 Walnut st., Thursday, Dec. 26, at 2 p. m. Relatives and friends invited to attend. Philadelphia, Pittsburg, Pa., and Newark, N. J., papers please copy.

GRISWOLD—In Everett, Dec. 24, Fannie Louise, wife of George W. Griswold, 25 yrs. 2 mos. 26 ds.
Funeral services will be held at her late residence, 29 Tileston st., Thursday, Dec. 26, at 3 p. m. Relatives and friends are invited to attend.

JOHNSON—In Charlestown, Dec. 23, Margaret J., wife of Joseph S. Johnson, 69 yrs.
Funeral services will be held at 11 Irving pl., Charlestown, Thursday, Dec. 26, at 12 o'clock. Funeral services private. Burial at Wakefield, Mass.

KALLENBACH—In Everett, Dec. 24, Mrs. Catherine Augusta, wife of Charles G. Kallenbach, 71 yrs.
Funeral services at late residence, 54 Baldwin av., Thursday, Dec. 26, at 2 p. m. Interment in Glenwood Cemetery.

McKENZIE—In Dover, Mass., John McKenzie, 78 yrs. 2 mos.
Funeral from his late residence in Dover, Thursday, Dec. 26, at 2 p. m. Nova Scotia papers please copy.

MITCHELL—In Dorchester, Dec. 23, at his late residence, 342 Bowdoin st., Henry Lorenzo Mitchell, 68 yrs., late secretary 38th Massachusetts Regiment Association.
Funeral services at the Waterman Chapel, 2328 Washington st., Roxbury, Thursday, at 1 p. m. Relatives and friends invited to attend.

MOORE—In this city, Dec. 24, Margaret Moore.
Funeral from her late residence, 29 West Dedham st., Thursday, Dec. 26, at 2 p. m. Relatives and friends invited to attend.

MORRIS—In East Boston, Samuel H. Morris, of 17 New st.
Funeral notice later.

PETTENGILL—In Everett, Dec. 23, Marcia E., widow of Converse J. Pettengill, 83 yrs. 3 mos. 19 ds.
Funeral services at the Congregational Church, Broadway, Thursday, Dec. 26, at 2 p. m. Relatives and friends invited to attend.

TRANT—In this city, Dec. 23, Anna J., wife of Thomas Trant, 75 yrs. 1 mo. 19 ds.
Funeral at her late residence, 40 Gaston st., Roxbury, Thursday, Dec. 26, at 11 o'clock a. m. Relatives and friends invited without further notice.

TYLER—In Hyde Park, Dec. 24, Benjamin Franklin Tyler, in his 74th year.
Funeral services at the Unitarian Church, Hyde Park, Thursday, Dec. 26, at 2 p. m. Friends invited. Portland, Me., papers please copy.

WELCH—In Roxbury, Dec. 22, Ellen, beloved wife of William Welch, formerly of Norfolk av.
Funeral from her late residence, 98 Winthrop st., Thursday, Dec. 26, at 8:30 a. m. Requiem mass at St. Patrick's Church, Dudley st., at 9 a. m. Relatives and friends invited to attend.

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THE TRUSTEES OF THE CONSUMPTIVES' HOSPITAL of Boston invite bids for heating and ventilating the hospital to be built on their grounds, River street, Mattapan, Boston, and giving bond of a surety company in $10,000. Only bids made on form obtained at the office of the Engineer, Hollis French, and Allen Hubbard, Room 534, 85 Beach street, Boston, signed by bidder and left at the office of the Trustees, 1151 Tremont Building, before 12 M., January 10, 1908, with a certified check for $500, payable to and to be the property of the city if bid is not carried out, will then and there be publicly opened and read. The Trustees reserve the right to reject any and all proposals and to give preference to bidders paying the trades union rate of wages. The bids should be enclosed in an envelope, sealed and marked: "Proposal for Heating and Ventilating Ward Building, Power House and Tunnel of Consumptives' Hospital, Mattapan, Boston."

EDW. F. McSWEENEY,
Chairman Board of Trustees.

December 23, 1907.

STEAMSHIPS.

Allan Line Royal Mail Steamers

NEW PASSENGER SERVICE, MODERATE RATES, BOSTON TO GLASGOW, VIA LONDONDERRY.

Third Class Tickets, Glasgow, Derry and Belfast, $26.50. Sicilian, Jan. 11; Corinthian, Feb. 1; Pretorian, Feb. 15; Laurentian, Feb. 29. These steamers carry only ONE CLASS OF CABIN Passengers (termed Second Cabin), to whom is accorded usual saloon privileges and accommodation situated in best part of steamers. Rates $35 to $45, single; Round Trip $68.75 upward. H. & A. ALLAN, 110 State st., Boston.

LOST AND FOUND.

LADY'S gold, open faced watch with chatelaine pin on; finder will be suitably rewarded by writing to owner, M. POMFRET, 258 Merrimack st., Lowell, Mass.

LOST—Mink scarf, on Temple st., between the Common and Allen st., Wednesday, between 5 and 6 p. m.; reward. Address R 672, Boston American.

LOST—A fur muff on Dover st. car, Friday the 20th; reward. G 687, Boston American.

LOST—Small package, containing lady's watch case, liberal reward; call at 71 Kingston st., City.

Where to Dine

MARVELOUS! MARVELOUS!

JUST drop in and hear our brand new orchestrion. We are headquarters for health foods, solid or liquid. BRUSENDORFF'S RESTAURANT, 118 Eliot st.

HOTEL HIGHLAND — Boulanger's ladies' orchestra; table d'hote 11:30-8; special luncheon 8-11 p. m.; private dining rooms; cuisine; try it. Imported and domestic wines and beers.

AGENTS AND SALESMEN.

WANTED—Salesmen to sell automatic tool to mechanics; great seller; 200 per cent. profit. FIFIELD BROS., Augusta, Me.

HELP WANTED—Male.

MEN WANTED AT ONCE

TO LEARN to drive and repair automobiles; positions paying $25 to $50 a week; corresponding course for out-of-town students; full course, $25; send 2c. stamp for catalogue. BOSTON AUTO SCHOOL, 343 Tremont st., Boston; 26 Market sq., Providence, R. I.

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MEN to call and see our watches, $1 down, $1 per week; open your account to-day; your credit is good. LOUIS SONNABEND CO., 15 Elm st.

A PARTNER wanted with capital to invest in a new growing distributing company in Boston. O 648, Boston American, Downtown.

ALL KINDS of railroad tickets and mileage books bought and sold. COLPITTS, 146 Canal st.

EXCURSION tickets and party rates a specialty. See COLPITTS for lowest rates everywhere.

FIREMEN AND BRAKEMEN on railroads in this vicinity; no strike; experience unnecessary; age 20 to 30, over 140 pounds, 5½ feet or over; firemen earn $100 monthly, promoted to engineers earn $200; brakemen $75, become conductors $150. RAILROAD RECRUITING STATION, 176 Federal street, room 214, second floor, Boston.

GOOD PAY—Men wanted everywhere to tack signs, distribute circulars, samples, etc.; no canvassing. 230 NATIONAL DIST. BUREAU, Chicago, Ill.

GO SOUTH or west, rail or boat. Lowest rates at COLPITTS, 146 Canal st.

MEN—Now is the time to learn the automobile business, free instruction to beginners, day or evening class at our large automobile station; we assist you to a position and license; our automobile station is open from 9 a. m. to 9 p. m.; call at once or 2c stamp for booklet. EASTERN AUTOMOBILE EXCHANGE, 42 Warren av., near corner Tremont and Berkeley sts., Boston.

NEW YORK, $1.75; Halifax, $5.50; Montreal, $7; Washington, $7.50; Buffalo, $9.50; Chicago, $16; Denver, $34.50. Lowest rates at COLPITTS, 333 Washington st.

WANTED—Bright young man in counting room of a large manufacturing concern; must be neat penman and accurate at figures. Address in own handwriting to paper box office, R 653, Boston American.

WANTED for the U. S. Marine Corps; men between ages 21 and 35; an opportunity to see the world. For full information apply in person or by letter to 98 Court st., Boston, Mass.

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AFTER XMAS markdowns for $1.00 per week at 25 of Boston's best cash stores, our order check accepted as cash for anything and everything; "different from the rest." PEOPLES' CREDIT COMPANY, 433 Washington st., cor. Winter, up 1 flight.

LADIES wanted to learn dressmaking and millinery, come now, positions guaranteed. Call or write MME. LITCHFIELD, 67 Berkeley st., Boston.

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Barter and Exchange

ONE CENT A WORD.

GROCERS, MARKETS, RESTAURANTS, ALL KINDS of store fixtures and refrigerators, factory headquarters largest in Boston for second-hand and new fixtures, meat blocks, cutting tables, lunch counters, stools, chairs, tables, computing scales, showcases, stoves and gas ranges; everything to fit up your store; second-hand dealers buy of us and sell to you; buy here at our big factory, cash or easy payments, and save agents' profits; 24 years established. WHITMAN CO., 10 and 12 Dorrance st., Sullivan sq.

HURDY GURDY PIANO, beautiful condition, sell for $100; rubber tire Hansom carriage, sell for $150; 2 lots land, Wellfleet, Mass., assessed $75 each, and 4 lots Lake Sunapee; trade for anything. Box 404, Nashua, N. H.

WANTED—Edison home phonograph and records; state lowest cash price. N 658, Boston American.

STOVES AT ALBEE'S, 99 Blackstone st.; store fixtures, 53 Hanover st.; bargain list in this column every Saturday.

I HAVE fine, rich-toned Aeolian organ, with 75 rolls popular music; cost $500; I will sell or exchange on basis of $200. G 644, Boston American.

WILL EXCHANGE Airedale pups, male or female, 3 mo. old, for anything of equal value. GEO. H. TOWLE, Newmarket, N. H.

OLD COINS—Lot brass buttons, sell or exchange for old military buttons, belt plates, etc. T 602, Boston American, Downtown.

EXCHANGE—Edison phonograph outfit; also 16 ft. canoe. 55 Lumber st., Athol.

AUCTIONS.

STORES SOLD OUT.

I WILL AUCTION off all your goods and get you good prices; charge by the day or commissions. Address AUCTIONEER, 2619 Washington st., Boston.

AUCTION—Sales held anywhere; I will sell your entire stock of merchandise, fixtures, furnishing of houses, hotels or apartments, and get good prices, or I will buy outright and pay cash on the spot; entire contents only. Write or call S. HERMANSON, 39 Court st., room A.

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DETECTIVE AGENCY (government licensed and bonded) solicits business from business houses and individuals; reliable experts employed only. RAY, 100 Boylston st.

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DOMESTIC troubles, without everybody knowing, quickly; strictly private; advice free. LAWYER W. L. HOWARD, 47 Court st., Boston.

DIAMONDS AND JEWELRY.

I WILL TRUST YOU—Diamonds and jewelry; old gold and silver bought and exchanged; established 1892. MAX FREEMAN, 802 Washington st.

FOR SALE.

FIVE WAGONS, strongly built, light del. type, with single harness, nearly new, used only three months; at a bargain. Box 5081, Boston P. O.

STOVES.

SOFT STOVE LINING, FITS ALL and ranges; price 35c. 22½ Portland st.

REAL ESTATE.

Set solid, 12½c. per line; displayed, 20c. per line.

IT WILL PAY YOU
TO TAKE TIME, even Christmas week, to see this farm, fully equipped and paying, 30 acres good land, in tillage, feeding 6 head, plenty of wood and 75 fruit trees, only 19 miles from Boston and close to A1 market, 2 horses, 4 cows, 75 poultry, barn full of hay and fodder, vegetables, cut wood, one and two seat carriages, sleigh, farm wagons and every necessary farm implement, milk sells 42c at door, 10-room house, barn, henneries, good condition, everything goes at reduced price, $3,000, good terms to right party. JOSIAH F. PRESCOTT, 209 Washington st., Boston.

100 QT. RETAIL MILK ROUTE,
6 COWS, team, poultry farm, road and market wagons, farm machinery, tools and crops, productive 100-acre farm near the hustling town of Gardner, 50 acres cultivated, bal. pasture and woodland, large apple, pear and plum orchard, abundance pure spring water, 2-story, 12-room house, p. and h., shaded by large trees, stock barn, 80x40, with cellar, 100 feet of henneries, all in good condition, main st., near neighbors and school, r. f. d., only $3,000, 1-3 cash. JOSIAH F. PRESCOTT, 209 Washington st.

AT ONE-HALF ASSESSMENT.

2-FAMILY house, No. 66 Sherman st., near Bower st., Roxbury, assessed for $3,400, price $1,700; favorable terms. G. B. HASKELL, 540 Exchange Bldg., 53 State st.

$1,100 VILLAGE HOME.
5 MINUTES to all public places in first-class town, between two manufacturing centres, reached for a nickel; 7 rooms, chance for a large garden; less than 1 hour to Boston; $1,100, easy terms. Dept. 4, P. F. LELAND, 113 Devonshire st.

EVERETT.
SOME extra good bargains in 1, 2 and 3-family houses; call in to see photos and learn particulars. Dept. 4, P. F. LELAND, 113 Devonshire st.

FARM 40 ACRES—To let or for sale on easy terms; stock, tools, etc., for sale; 25 miles from Boston, 15 from Providence. 4 Alden st., Boston.

TO TRADE for farm—Stock, tools, a 2-family house; fine repair. Box 430, Merrimac, Mass.

$750 TAKES THIS 100-acre farm in North Worcester County, high elevation, fine place for a hunting camp or a Summer home; 1 mile to station, store and P. O., fine neighbors. E. G. BRADSHAW CO., 101 Tremont st., Boston.

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$10—HOUSE LOTS—$10

AT HINGHAM PARK.

OUR $10 house lots at Hingham Park have captured the town; only $1 down and $1 a week; Hingham Park faces the boulevard and on the road to Nantasket Beach; they are selling fast. T. F. HOVEY, 47 Court st., room 4, Boston.

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WIDOW lady lives in California and must sell her house before she returns; 9 rooms, all improvements, in perfect repair, only one minute to the depot and electric cars; price cut to $2500; easy terms. C. E. JENNINGS, 1028 Old South Bldg., Boston.

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AT THE SEA SHORE, 3 to 5 cents a foot, $5 down and $1 a week; now is the time to buy and save one-half you would pay in the spring. W. A. DUNHAM, 7 Water st., room 710.

WE HAVE numerous single and double houses in Boston and vicinity which we would like to exchange for farms in Mass. and N. H. If you have a good farm to exchange for city and suburban property come and talk it over. PELKEY-WALLACE CO., 101 Tremont st. Tel. Main, 1257-3, Boston.

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$500—HOUSE AND BRANCH bakery and delicatessen, fine South End corner location, run by help. E. H. BISHOP & CO., 279 Washington st.

HOTEL—30 rooms, fine location; same owner 12 years; price $2,500; terms. HAYDEN.

BULFINCH ST.—14 rooms, steam heat, good carpets and furniture; rent $65; price $800; terms. HAYDEN, 6 Beacon st., Boston.

LODGING HOUSES with 8, 11, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 26 rooms, from $275 to $1,500; small payment down. SIMONDS, 724 Washington st., room 2, Boston.

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C. S. Stuart & Co., 28 School St.

IF YOU want to buy or sell good paying lodging house, lunch room, restaurant, cigar store, variety, grocery, confectionery or any other kind of business, call here; we make quick sales on short notice; money advanced to help buy. STUART & CO.

$1,500—COAL BUSINESS, few miles out, large manufacturing town, no opposition, 2 good teams, doing good business; must be sold at once, owner has other business; will stand investigation. STUART & CO., 28 School st.

$800—GROCERY STORE, fine location, good stock, doing a good business; must be sold, owner has 2 places; if looking for a good-paying store see this, you will buy. STUART & CO., 28 School st.

$450—ONE of the neatest little lunch rooms, on a busy street, rent very low, fine show windows, will clear $10 daily; don't fail to see this. STUART & CO., 28 School st.

$400—19-ROOM lodging house, only few steps to State House, biggest bargain in Boston, rooms all let to a select class, well furnished; don't fail to see this. STUART, 28 School st.

$1,000—MACHINE SHOP—$1,000

ALL KINDS jobbing and repairing, old est., 60 miles out in large manufacturing place, plenty work. STUART & CO., 28 School st.

$750—CIGAR and tobacco store, down town, near Jordan & Marsh's, very busy little store, good stock; if you are looking for a money maker see this first. STUART & CO., 28 School st.

CALL THIS WEEK for lodging houses; we have a large number at our disposal this week for about fifty cents on the dollar; small payments down. STUART & CO., 28 School st.

$350—CORNER grocery, variety, 4 rooms connected, good location and trade. MILLETT, corner Washington and Dudley st.

HEADQUARTERS for stores, 1 to 5 rooms connected, also lodging house 12 to 16 rooms, $100 and upwards. Terms and locations to suit purchasers. If you will sell or buy a business call or write. F. L. MILLETT, 2,389 Washington st., corner Dudley; open evening; phone 568 Rox.

BOSTON BARROOM doing $450 week business; rent $100 month; $3,000 down; clears $100 week; old stand. R. L. CASEY, 28 School st.

$800—BACK BAY RESTAURANT, seats 90; $75 day business; $50 month rent; steam heat; run by help, owner sick. R. L. CASEY, 28 School st., Boston.

GRO. AND PRO. store, doing good business; fine location; investigate. LEONARD REALTY CO.

HOME BAKERY in Charlestown; rent $17; rooms con.; present owner 3 years; all cash trade; clears $175 month; price low. LEONARD REALTY CO., 18 Tremont st., Boston.

WE DISTRIBUTE throughout New England samples, circulars, booklets, etc.; lowest prices. Write and we'll call. M 682, Boston American, Downtown.

YOU WISH to dispose of your business? I am the man you want to see. Call or write, S. HERMANSON, 39 Court st., room A.

SITUATIONS WANTED—Male.

A YOUNG colored man would like position as janitor or porter. Apply 44 Albion st., Boston., GEORGE W. KENT.

AMERICAN GENTLEMAN, single, fine family, holding good position, wishes position, caretaker country home. Box 600, Essex, Ct.

A VALET—First-class hairdresser, waiter or would take work in private family. E. C., 149 Charles st., Boston.

A POSITION wanted by an experienced man in drug store, speaks four languages, little English. ESTATHE CONDI, 237 Pleasant st.

A YOUNG MAN wants a position as porter or elevator man or cook or doing waiting. WILLIAM LEWIS, 929 Harrison av.

A COLORED MAN would like position as porter or do waiting. BENJAMIN CLARK, 135 Pleasant st., Cambridge, Mass.

BOSTON MAN, aged 24, would like work of any kind; hard work and me always agree. S 649, Boston American.

CHEF—German-French; strictly sober, 16 years' best all-around experience; willing take charge or any position; good reason leaving last position; reference. Address CHEF, 2093 Washington st.

CHEF, all round, situation wanted, a specialty in hotel or club; moderate wages. CHEF, S. O. O. O., 78 Carver st.

COLORED MAN wants work, chores or general work, porter or work in stable; understands care of horses; good references; in or out of town. W. MITCHELL, 43 Northfield st., Boston.

LIGHT OUTDOOR work wanted by man of 40; small pay; good references. J. H., care IND. AID, 43 Hawkins st., Boston.

MARRIED MAN, 24 years old, with the I. C. School arithmetic certificate and able to write and read English, Italian and French, is looking for any kind of a position in Boston or vicinity. Write A. B., 515 Social st., Woonsocket, R. I.

MAN, 30, single would like work on gent's place or farm; steady and sober, A1 reference; no milking. C. BERNIER, 24 Hancock st., city.

PAINTER, young man, wants position, $2.25 a day; no ceiling work. NOFELL, 2 Jefferson pl.

WANTED—Situation as teamster in city or country, or work on small farm by a temperate, reliable, middle aged, American man. M. C. C., 15 Newton st., Brookline, Mass.

WANTED—By a young man residing in Malden, position in suburban town; would like work around gentleman's place or in store; moderate wages. S 647, Boston American.

YOUNG MAN, colored, would like position, waiter, porter or general man; willing to be useful. J. M., 394 Northampton st., suite 1.

YOUNG MAN, 21 years old, wants work of any kind. J. R., 206 Pearl st., Somerville.

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BOSTON STAMMERERS' INSTITUTE,
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Charitable Classes
For Poor Boys and Girls Who Stammer
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THE WORST CASES QUICKLY CURED
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WILL EXCHANGE Land for Automobile.

I WILL exchange some good house lots in Boston suburbs for a touring car in good condition. R 363, Boston American.

CLOTHING.

RADICAL REDUCTIONS to make room—Men's slightly worn clothing, made by leading tailors; students' clothes, suits from $3 up; Fall and Winter overcoats from $1.75 up; coats from $1 up; pants from 75c. up. MARKS & CHESTER, 89 Dudley st., Rox., near terminal; tel. 1999-2 Rox.

MORTGAGES.

ASSIGNEES or mortgagees having stocks of any kind of merchandise anywhere; I pay cash on the spot. Call or write S. HERMANSON, Auctioneer, 39 Court st., room A.

WINES AND LIQUORS.

PURE OLD WHISKEY, GIN AND RUM—100 proof, 50 cents full quart. THOS. SNOW & SON, 89 No. Market st. estab. nearly 100 years.

SITUATIONS WANTED—Female.

AN AMERICAN woman, with a 12-year-old daughter, wants a situation at light housework, tend store or teach small children. MRS. CHLORA MARSHALL, Montrose, Mass.

AN AMERICAN middle-aged widow would like housekeeper's position for a widower near Boston. MRS. H., 82 Fuller st., Everett.

COLORED WOMAN wants morning work; a good fast worker; also laundry work to take home. M. MITCHELL, 43 Northfield st., Boston.

COLORED WOMAN would like work by the day or hour or washing to take home. MARY JAMES, 44 Albion st., city.

DRESSMAKER, Boston, ex., work warranted first class, desires customers; evening and street gowns, shirt waists. ADDIE SHIPLEY, 28 South Main st., Reading, Mass.

DAY'S WORK wanted, city or suburb. MRS. MADELINE GRANVILLE, 25 Willard pl., Roxbury.

DRESSMAKER wants work, $1.25 a day. 30 Pauline st., Winthrop.

HOUSEWORK wanted by a young Swedish woman 3 days a week. Address 4 Bateman pl., South Boston.

POSITION as housekeeper or nurse, by Prot., 39; former teacher; any other desirable position (demonstrator); particulars; small pay. S., 179 Elm st., Everett.

PROT. WIDOW wants any kind of work, by day or hour. Apply in store, 52 W. Dedham st.

RELIABLE COLORED woman wants day's work, apartment or private houses, any distance. M. A., 1,183 Mass. av., Arlington, Mass.

WANTED—A place as housekeeper in small family, or would do general work. L. M. S., 16 Fifth st., Chelsea, Mass.

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WE PAY highest prices for furniture, carpets, store fixtures and merchandise. OLLMAN & FRIEDBERG, 134 Harrison av., opp. St. James Church.

WE BUY all kinds of old feather beds; we pay the highest prices. Drop postal NEW ENGLAND FEATHER CO., 2 Parkman st., Boston.

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$50 BUYS safe, sound horse, extra fine roader, fearless of everything; been driven by women folks; also kid and brass harness, top carriage, blankets and robes; price for all $50. 1 Webster st., Brookline, cor. Harvard st., near Coolidge Corner; take Coolidge Corner car at Park st. subway.

FOR SALE—Bay pacing mare, Marguerite, 2:12¼, by Allerton, 5,128; can step 3 times better than 2:10; bay mare, trotter, 2:17, by Charlie Hess, 2:07¾, sound and kind, will road 25 miles in two hours; price $85. 246 Harvard st., Brookline; Coolidge Corner car at Park st. Subway.

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Commonwealth Hospital for Animals

21 Cummington st., one block west of Hotel Buckminster. Telephone Back Bay 2946.

BEST EQUIPPED institution of its kind in America; dogs, cats, horses boarded and treated for all diseases; outdoor exercising yards; skilled attendants on hand day and night; operations a specialty.

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TYPEWRITER EXCHANGE, Tel. 166 Main—Before taking stock will sell rebuilt guaranteed machines lower than ever; all cheap machines at your price, $10, $15, $20; call or write; rent, repair and sell. TYPEWRITER EXCHANGE, 38 Bromfield st.

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WOMEN'S SPECIALTIES

BABY CARRIAGES repaired, wheels retired, carriage parts. W. J. REILLY & CO., 95 Portland st.

THE BOSTON AMERICAN

80 AND 82 SUMMER ST., BOSTON, DECEMBER 26, 1907

Just Five Days More of 1907

Positively the Last Call for the Chance to Make a Record This Year

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Five days are left of this year. That is a fact worth thinking about. The world was created in six days—as we are told in the Book of Genesis. **Many** a man's reputation has been made or ruined in one hundredth part of that time.

Less than one week remains of 1907, one fifty-second part of a year—a very considerable part of an entire life.

You may be pretty sure that your doings in the new year will be a good deal like your doings in the remaining days of this year.

How are YOU going to spend the five days? What are you going to do in them? How are you going to fit yourself to keep the resolutions of next year—and the other few years that are left?

This is a pretty good week to begin doing what we ought to, if we ever mean to begin. Do it NOW. This week.

A Million and a Half in Cash—to One Small Working Group

Do You Realize How the World's Prosperity Depends on the Workman's Wages?

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The other day a small news item announced that the Reading Company alone, on a certain day, would hand to its mine workers one million four hundred and fifty thousand dollars in cash. **THIS WAS ONE MONTH'S PAY.**

On the same day, other companies in the same town paid out other millions.

And this payment of a million four hundred and fifty thousand in one month to one little group of workmen is a very small payment comparatively. In one payment the iron workers out in Pittsburg received in cash much more.

All over the United States these millions—tens, hundreds of millions—are being paid **TO WORKERS.**

Do you realize that this money if paid on a Saturday is spent by the following Monday night? Do you realize that the nation, the merchants, all prosperity depend on this distribution of wealth through the medium of working people?

And you know how much it means for the prosperous classes, for the richest classes, **TO HAVE GOOD WAGES PAID ALL OVER THE COUNTRY TO THE WORKERS.**

It is not the individual worker who gets the most benefit from high wages. At most he has enough to get along. He gets just about as much on Saturday as he is compelled to spend on Monday.

Those that really profit by high wages for workmen are the rich men, the owners of land and houses, the owners of stores, the doctors and all the others.

Instead of fighting good wages as they do, and instead of meeting every little financial difficulty with a cry for a reduction in pay, they ought to have brains enough to see that the salvation of the country is this paying out of enormous sums of money every day throughout the country to workingmen who immediately put it into general circulation. Wealth is distributed through workers, and distribution of wealth is the life blood of prosperity.

Seven Years on the Cars

Seven Years of What?—THINKING—or DAWDLING?

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Mr. McNeil of Chicago is one of the millions of commuters in America. He is a commuter given to statistics. After thirty-five years of traveling between Chicago and his native suburb he prepares these figures:

He has traveled seven hundred and fifty-six thousand miles. He has spent more than four thousand dollars in suburban carfare. He has spent seven years on the cars.

Seven years on the train—a long time. Yet millions of Americans spend years of their lives in the same way. **YOU WHO READ THIS SPEND A GREAT DEAL OF YOUR LIFE ON TRAINS OR IN STREET CARS. WE ALL AVERAGE AN HOUR A DAY AT THE VERY LEAST.**

The whole of life is a few years. The only thing in life is **TIME.** The Chicago man's statistics ought to make us all think. **IT OUGHT TO MAKE YOU THINK.** What do you do with those hours of travel? They are hours of rest—that is to say, if you happen to get a seat. They are, all of them, hours of physical inactivity. When the body is inactive the mind can think best. Every day on the train or the street car you have a certain amount of time. How do you use it? **DO YOU USE IT AT ALL?**

No intelligent reader will say that the time **COULD NOT BE USED.** An ox, a sheep or a chicken cannot use the time that it spends traveling to market. But it is different with a human being. For the human being's **PRINCIPAL WORK IS THINKING.** It is the thought in your own head that makes you develop. That thought not only means mental growth, but **GROWTH IN MATERIAL PROSPERITY.** A man's success depends on the attention that he gives to his business. And his principal business is watching himself, criticising himself, **MAKING PLANS FOR HIMSELF.**

The many hours of thought that we give up to travel should be hours of thought, of planning, of self-criticism.

If life and physical conditions permit, part of the time may well be devoted to reading—**GOOD, THOUGHTFUL READING, NOT READING OF TRASH.**

If Mr. McNeil of Chicago has spent his seven years of travel in real thinking, he must be pretty far along the road to-day.

If you would spend your traveling hours in thought, in consecutive thought, in systematic, methodical thought, you would be surprised at the results.

A great majority of us really do not know how to think. We imagine that we ought to think without trying. We all realize that in order to swim we must practice swimming; to fence or box we must practice fencing or boxing.

It is just as necessary to practice thinking. Our brain came late in our development. It is less developed than our muscles; it is less under our control than our animal organization. It takes a great deal of study to know how to use that brain, how to concentrate it upon one thing and keep it there.

Try for awhile to **PRACTICE THINKING.** Make up your mind that you will take up a certain subject and stick at it until you know something about it, until you have thought it through and come out at the other end.

Don't waste time calculating how many hours or miles covered are represented by your life on the trains, but **USE THOSE HOURS THINKING ABOUT THE REAL THINGS OF LIFE.**

KING KAZOOKS!

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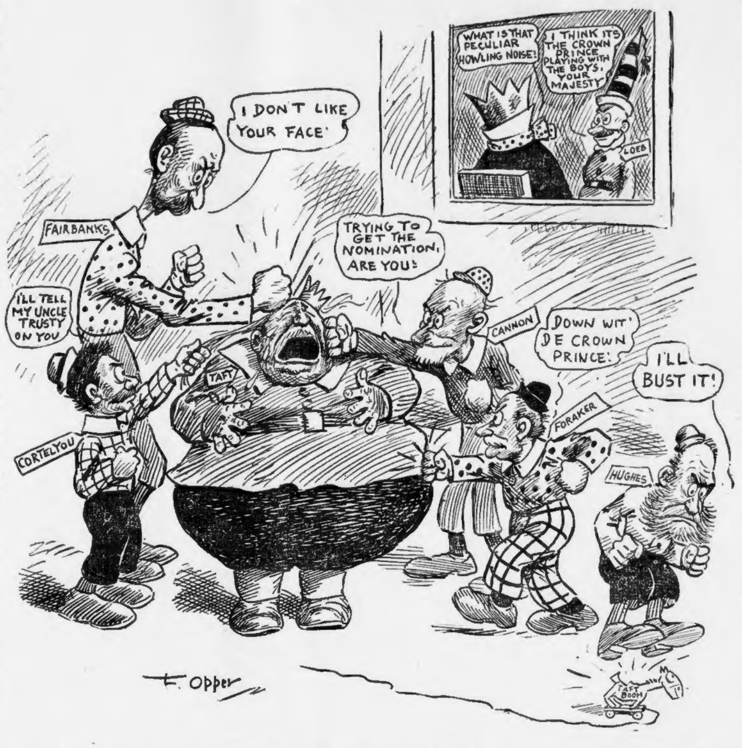
WHAT IS THAT PECULIAR HOWLING NOISE?
I THINK ITS THE CROWN PRINCE PLAYING WITH THE BOYS, YOUR MAJESTY
LOEB
I DON'T LIKE YOUR FACE
FAIRBANKS
TRYING TO GET THE NOMINATION, ARE YOU?
I'LL TELL MY UNCLE TRUSTY ON YOU
TAFT
CANNON
DOWN WIT' DE CROWN PRINCE!
I'LL BUST IT!
FORAKER
CORTELYOU
HUGHES
TAFT BOOM
F. Opper

Ye Crown Prince, Bill, having gone forth to play, ye boys of ye neighborhood, being evil-disposed and likewise coarse and rude, do, with envy and malice aforethought, swat, paste and biff ye aforesaid Bill, and also do hand him several swift ones!

Bobbie's Essays

By William F. Kirk

STATESMEN.

I SEE in the paipers that two (2) grate statesmen has had a fite, one of them is what thay call a Minority Leeder, wich meens, Pa sed, that he is doing the best he can, his naim is Mister Sharp William or sumthing like that, the other man's name was De Armond, wich sounds like one of the three (3) Musketeers, Mister Sharp William hit Mister De Armond on the nose & Mister De Armond, wich is from Missouri & you have to ask him sumthing better than a punch on the nose, hit Mister William on the jaw & then on the stummick & then Mister William began to stall & hang on & sum frends parted them.

Statesmen is grate fiters anyway, thare was Mister Pat Henry, wich sed I know not what course other fiters may taik, but as for me give me liberty or give me a Haymaker on the point of the chin.

Thare was also Mister Julius Caeser, he was a fiteing statesman, he won most of his fites when he was picking up lemmons in Gaul, but when he calm back hoam & met Kid Brutus, the grate hevvywate, Mister Caesar got a worse beeting than Mister Sharp William.

Mister Caesar was a nice man, even if he was a statesman, he didn't go around calling everybody liars & losing his hed, but even then he got it in the neck, wich all statesmen does that looks for it.

My pa told me all about the fite when he was reeding the morning paper. Remember, Bobbie, sed Pa, wen you reed about the fiery & untamed spirit of the south, remember what Mister Sharp William got.

Oh I doant know, sed Ma, you must remember that I am from the south, she sed, & you nevver won manny arguments from me. Like the grate old veteran, Robert E. Lee, Ma sed, I have planned & executed many a battel with you in wich you was forced to admit my supeeriority. Also Stonewall Jackson, Ma sed, he was a pritty good fiter & made the Yankees hunt thare holes.

Yes, sed Pa, but think of Grant & what he did, he was thare with the punch in the long run.

But this essay is about statesmen & how thay fite, not about my Pa & Ma. Other grate statesmen wich had good fites was Cicero wich put Mister Catiline on the pan. Pa told me about that beekaus Pa used to study Latin, he sed Cicero was rite in a way but not so awful good himself.

Pa sed Cicero used to stay out late at nite & when he was coming home in the morning he wud see Mister Catiline & then he wud go and knock & say O Tempora, O Mores, wich meens You are up pritty lait.

Statesmen is all rite in thare place, sed Pa, but we pay them thare pay to maik laws & taik care of thare c-o-n-s-t-i-t-u-e-n-t-s, Pa sed, & wen we have any fiteing to do we like to leeve it to Joe Jeanette & Kid Stinger, etc. Let the statesmen frame up the laws, sed Pa, & let Philadelfia Jack O'Brine frame up the fites.

THE HALL-ROOM BOYS

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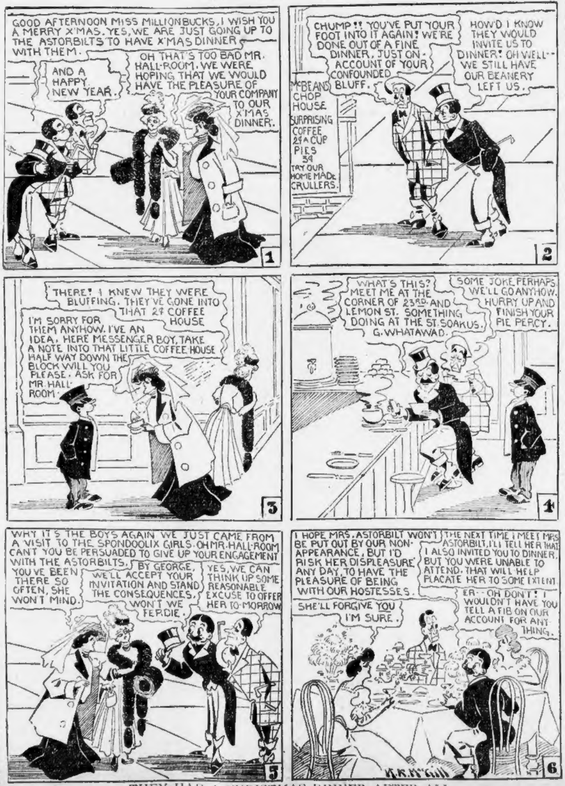
GOOD AFTERNOON MISS MILLIONBUCKS, I WISH YOU A MERRY X'MAS. YES, WE ARE JUST GOING UP TO THE ASTORBILTS TO HAVE X'MAS DINNER WITH THEM.
AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR.
OH THAT'S TOO BAD MR. HALL-ROOM. WE WERE HOPING THAT WE WOULD HAVE THE PLEASURE OF YOUR COMPANY TO OUR X'MAS DINNER.
1
CHUMP!! YOU'VE PUT YOUR FOOT INTO IT AGAIN! WE'RE DONE OUT OF A FINE DINNER, JUST ON ACCOUNT OF YOUR CONFOUNDED BLUFF.
HOW'D I KNOW THEY WOULD INVITE US TO DINNER? OH WELL— WE STILL HAVE OUR BEANERY LEFT US.
McBEANS CHOP HOUSE SURPRISING COFFEE 2¢ A CUP PIES 3¢ TRY OUR HOME MADE CRULLERS.
2
THERE! I KNEW THEY WERE BLUFFING. THEY'VE GONE INTO THAT 2¢ COFFEE HOUSE
I'M SORRY FOR THEM ANYHOW. I'VE AN IDEA. HERE MESSENGER BOY, TAKE A NOTE INTO THAT LITTLE COFFEE HOUSE HALF WAY DOWN THE BLOCK WILL YOU PLEASE. ASK FOR MR. HALL-ROOM.
3
WHAT'S THIS? MEET ME AT THE CORNER OF 23RD AND LEMON ST. SOMETHING DOING AT THE ST. SOAKUS. G. WHATAWAD.
SOME JOKE PERHAPS. WE'LL GO ANYHOW. HURRY UP AND FINISH YOUR PIE PERCY.
4
WHY IT'S THE BOYS AGAIN WE JUST CAME FROM A VISIT TO THE SPONDOOLIX GIRLS. OH MR. HALL-ROOM CAN'T YOU BE PERSUADED TO GIVE UP YOUR ENGAGEMENT WITH THE ASTORBILTS.
YOU'VE BEEN THERE SO OFTEN, SHE WON'T MIND.
BY GEORGE, WE'LL ACCEPT YOUR INVITATION AND STAND THE CONSEQUENCES. WON'T WE FERDIE.
YES, WE CAN THINK UP SOME REASONABLE EXCUSE TO OFFER HER TO-MORROW
5
I HOPE MRS. ASTORBILT WON'T BE PUT OUT BY OUR NON-APPEARANCE, BUT I'D RISK HER DISPLEASURE ANY DAY, TO HAVE THE PLEASURE OF BEING WITH OUR HOSTESSES.
THE NEXT TIME I MEET MRS ASTORBILT, I'LL TELL HER THAT I ALSO INVITED YOU TO DINNER, BUT YOU WERE UNABLE TO ATTEND. THAT WILL HELP PLACATE HER TO SOME EXTENT.
SHE'LL FORGIVE YOU I'M SURE.
ER—OH DON'T! I WOULDN'T HAVE YOU TELL A FIB ON OUR ACCOUNT FOR ANYTHING.
6
H.A. McGill

THEY HAD A CHRISTMAS DINNER AFTER ALL

Ella Wheeler Wilcox

Thoughts Are Magnets. Do Your Own Thinking, and Ignore False Standards Set by the World

By Ella Wheeler Wilcox

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YESTERDAY came a letter from a man who only a few years ago made up his mind that earth held nothing for him but sickness, poverty and loneliness.

So he decided to leave the earth. He planned suicide.

A mere accident prevented his carrying out the foolish design.

At least, we call those happenings "accidents," while in truth there is no such thing as an accident. All events are according to law; but many of us will not pay attention to the law, or even take warnings which are sent to us.

This man took heed; and when by what he deemed "chance" he read a dissertation on the folly and vulgarity of suicide, just a few hours before he planned to get rid of his body, he felt it was sent to him as a warning to desist, and he did desist.

And after a time his body grew well and strong, although the best physicians in four hospitals had said he would never be well; and then he took courage to try his fortune again, and success began to come to him.

Now he is possessed of all the comforts of earth, and he is happy in his work and very grateful that he is alive.

Because this happened to one man I know, I write these words, hoping they may fall under the eye of some one of the many discouraged men and women who are always in the world.

Sets False Standards

AT this time of year, as we approach what we call the holidays, depression seems to fill the air.

It is the result of the false standards set by the world. All about us are people striving to live up, not to their own best ideals, but to the ideas and habits and customs of others.

It is rare indeed to find one who is independent enough to live his own life, and make his own rules regarding Christmas giving or daily living.

Because your neighbor is buying many expensive presents or giving elaborate entertainments is no reason why you should feel obliged to do the same thing if you know you are not able to do so. It is no reason why you should be blue and unhappy if you find you cannot follow his lead.

Yet scores of seemingly sensible men and women make misery for themselves and others by just this lack of independence.

Restless discontent seems to fill the air between Thanksgiving and New Year's. Worried and strained faces are everywhere seen, and the newspapers report many suicides.

This year has brought exceptional despondency in its financial panic. But there is just as much money in the land as ever. It has not been destroyed. There are just as many opportunities to make a success in the world as ever; there is food, work, hope, health, happiness for everybody who is determined to rise above the depressing strata, and look for the sun, which is always shining somewhere above us.

Power of Thought

INSTEAD of dwelling on the dark shadows, lift your eyes to the light. Instead of thinking yourself poor and miserable and friendless and alone, think of yourself as the *close friend* of our Creator, who will never desert you, and as heir to all His wealth, health and happiness.

Fight away the thoughts of depression. *Ask for light.* Go to sleep with the prayer for light on your lips. Everything may change for the better to-morrow. Keep hoping and trying and praying.

There is a place for you in this world. You are needed here, or you would not be here. You are a part of omnipotent power. Go ahead and find your place. You can.

Imbue yourself with the thought that whatever you want *must come to you.*

Desire is a magnet. Persistent belief in the goodness of God and in your own close relation to Him will make your thoughts magnets.

Here are a few little lines which express the *law.* Commit them to memory and they may help you over this hard time:

I AM serenity. Though passions beat
Like mighty billows on my helpless heart,
I know beyond them lies the perfect, sweet
Serenity which patience can impart.
And when wild tempests in my bosom rage,
"Peace, peace," I cry, "it is my heritage."

I AM good health. Though fevers rack my brain
And rude disorders mutilate my strength,
A perfect restoration after pain
I know shall be my recompense at length.
And so through grievous day and sleepless night
"Health, health," I cry, "it is my own by right."

I AM success. Though hungry, cold, ill-clad
I wander for a while, I smile and say,
"It is but for a time—I shall be glad
To-morrow, for good fortune comes my way.
God is my father. He has wealth untold.
His wealth is mine, health, happiness and gold."